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GENEALOGICAL RECORD

OF THE

HODGES FAMILY

IN NEW ENGLAND,

CONTAINING

*2333.6

THE NAMES OF OVER 1500 PERSONS,

FROM 1633 TO 1853,

NUMBERING EIGHT GENERATIONS.

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PREFACE BY RUFUS HODGES.

(Copied from his Pamphlet, published in 1837.)

I HAVE attempted, in the following pages, to throw together some few memorials of the families in New England, who bear the name of HODGES. It is but a meagre outline; and the greater part of the information I have been able to collect, in regard to their early history, is now preserved only in the recollection of a few aged persons. Without some effort for its more permanent preservation, it will soon be lost forever. This is the leading motive for the publication of this little book. It is a mere record, that will be of interest to none but to those who bear the name, or are connected with it. It is supposed that, with those who in after times may bear our name, this memorial may possess a value almost inestimable. An effort should be made to hand it down to them. No apology is deemed necessary for the minute and somewhat homely details which will be occasionally found in these pages. With many, this will constitute their chief value. I have followed the narrative form rather than that of the common genealogical tables, believing this to be better suited to the habits of many who will be interested in these details. The desire of knowing something of those from whom we have descended, is universal. It is commendable. It is a feeling which can in most cases be indulged with profit. I will presume to add that, in our own case, it may be indulged with no ordinary degree of satisfaction.

It is supposed there were three brothers of the name of Hodges who came to Massachusetts about twelve or fifteen years after the first landing at Plymouth. Their descendants are now very numerous. They are spread over New England and New York, and are found in most of the Southern and Western States. They are found in every walk and condition of life; and, so far as my information extends, they are as respectable as they are numerous. I have yet to learn that the name has been sullied by a crime.

There are families of the name in Maryland, in Virginia, and in some of the other Southern States, which I have not been able to connect with those of New England. My information in regard to them, however, is quite limited. But whoever of the name trace their descent from the families in New England, may consider themselves as brethren—the scions of a common stock.

I am far removed from almost every source of information in regard to the early and indeed the present history of these families; and such items of information as I have been able to collect are, in many respects, very imperfect. I should indeed hesitate in committing this little book to the press in its present imperfect state, but that I cherish the hope that by this means it may fall

into the hands of some one more competent and more favorably situated than myself, who will pursue the undertaking, until it is rendered in some degree complete. It is perhaps impossible at this time to trace the genealogy of these families beyond the three brothers who emigrated to America. The name, however, has been one of respectability in England for the last three centuries.

RUFUS HODGES.

Cincinnati, Jan. 1, 1837.

INTRODUCTION.

Rufus Hodges of Cincinnati, Ohio, published, in 1837, a record of "The Families in New England, of the name of Hodges," with a hope expressed in the preface that "some one, more favorably situated than himself, would at some future period pursue the undertaking until it should be rendered in some degree complete." I have attempted to bring down the record to the present time, 1853, but fear that it will be as *incomplete* as when he left it, for there appears to be no signs of a *diminution* of the *name*, or *number* bearing the name. In my researches I have found a number of families of the name descended from the first William, who are not mentioned, and of whose existence he probably had no knowledge. Among the number will be found the name and descendants of George Hodges,[3] born in 1708, who moved from Taunton or Norton to Woodstock, Conn., some time about the year 1756. For an account of his family and descendants, I am indebted to Mrs. Holmes Ammidown of Boston, who is the grand-daughter of the abovenamed George, and daughter of the late Daniel; and I am also indebted to her son, E. H. Ammidown of Harvard University, and to E. F. Hodges of Boston, for information respecting this family, all of whom are descendants of George Hodges of Woodstock.

I am also indebted to many friends for information contained in these pages, particularly to Edgar H. Reed of Taunton, who, I believe, searched all the graveyards in his vicinity, and a portion of the town records, for information. I am also indebted to Charles Hodges and William W. Comstock of Providence, R. I.; Earl Hodges of Norton, Elijah Hodges of Mansfield, J. Vincent Browne of Salem, Marcus Morton, Jr. of Andover, H. B. Wheelwright of Taunton, Mrs. Deborah Cobb of Mansfield, Lewis L. Hodges of Buffalo, and to many other

friends, for a variety of information, and to the Rev. Joseph Hodges, of North Oxford, for old and interesting documents.

The information contained in these pages has been obtained by the writer and others by diligent research, and as I have advanced in the record the information obtained has become more and more interesting. Rufus Hodges, in his preface, says very truly, "that it will probably interest none but those who bear the name." If the *reader* receives as much pleasure as the *writer* has done in collecting the information, he will be well paid for his time. I am aware that there may be some of the name who will be omitted in these pages. I have certainly endeavored to omit no one. If this should prove to be the case, my apology will be that I was not aware of the labor of the undertaking when I begun it, or of the necessary time and labor which a work like this requires. There were a few errors in the original work of Mr. Hodges of Cincinnati, which I have endeavored to correct; my only surprise is that there were so few errors. He says in his preface, which will be found herewith, "They (the Hodges family) are found in every walk and condition in life, and, as far as my information extends, they are as respectable as they are numerous. I have as yet to learn that the name has been sullied by a crime." This was written before the days of poor *Jack*. He was of the wrong complexion, and lived on the wrong side of Mason & Dixon's line, and probably assumed the name of some family with whom he resided. He was *accused* of crime. This was sufficient. He *suffered* a few years after Rufus Hodges wrote the above.

We may perhaps, with some propriety, congratulate ourselves that the Hodges family have been a very respectable kind of people *generally*. It has been whispered, however, that a long time ago, a long time previous to the temperance excitement and the "Maine liquor law" *reform*, that a descendant of the first William (1633) was accused of going home to his family, from an old-fashioned militia training, with a *big stone in his hat*. This little piece of scandal was undoubtedly put into circulation by some envious and mischief-making neighbor *not of the name*.

I have generally followed the *form* of my predecessor, whose work, particularly the early history of the family, I have copied very freely. Whenever I have been able to obtain all the particulars of families here recorded, I have adopted a very convenient and I hope it will be considered an approved form of genealogical tables. This information I have obtained from town records or from friends. There may be a few timid persons who may feel reluctant to have the year of their birth published. It may be remarked as a general rule, that whenever the age of a lady or gentleman of a *certain age* is brought into question, their friends generally give them a credit of about *ten years more* than really belongs to the owners. Therefore the writer claims the credit of reducing to a right standard the age of some of his friends.

I will also indulge the hope that some one of the name will, at some future time, continue this work, correcting the errors of the present writer, and adding a long list of *honest* and *Honorable* names.

It will be found that, in the early history of New England, it was considered quite honorable to aspire to commissions in the militia of this Commonwealth. The Hodges family have *aspired* to the commission of *Captain* very generally; and whether qualified or not, they have been very successful in their aspirations. It has been remarked that, in the towns of Taunton, Norton, and Mansfield, you may call every man you meet of the name, *Captain Hodges*, and you will be right about three fourths of the time. A small number of the name have had the boldness to endeavor to reach the office of "Colonel." Allow a suggestion to be made in this place to every man bearing the name; don't ever try to go *higher*—for should any individual of the name ever reach the next grade in rank above Colonel, he may have the misfortune (according to precedents recently established in political affairs) to be nominated President of the United States!

It will be observed that Major Joseph Hodges served in the British army in the "Old French War." He was undoubtedly a bold, energetic, and a military man. There were a number of the name who served in the war of the American Revolu-

tion, viz.: the first Isaac held the commission of *Captain.* Among others of the name who served in this war, we find that of Captain Rufus, (the son of Andrew,) the second Isaac, and the second Jonathan, and Benjamin. Coming down to later years, there were two of the name who probably were desirous of keeping up the reputation of the family for *patriotism* and *deeds of arms*, who did service in the "Dorr-ic War," on the *part of the Government*, in Rhode Island, in 1842. They both held the commission of Colonel. Col. Bradford Hodges commanded the Artillery stationed at Pawtucket, and *the other Colonel* was a *Lieut. Colonel* of the "Providence City Regiment," and subsequently commanded the "Providence Horse Guards," during and after the *Rebellion* referred to above. Neither of them were killed or wounded!

For the purpose of showing the regular descent of families, I have frequently placed numbers over the names, or with the names, showing the generations from the first William, viz.:

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
William.	*Henry.*	*Joseph.*	*First Jonathan.*	*Second Jonathan.*	*Almon D.*

ALMON D. HODGES.

WASHINGTON BANK,

Boston, Nov. 1, 1853.

THE HODGES FAMILY.

A SETTLEMENT at Taunton, in the county of Bristol, Massachusetts, was first attempted by Europeans in the year 1637. The place at that time, it would seem, was known indiscriminately by the two Indian names of *Ticticut* and *Cohannet.* The settlement was commenced by Miss Elizabeth Pool and her associates, and they established themselves at or near the place which has since been known as "*Taunton Green.*" This Miss Pool was a lady of fortune and of a respectable family in Old England, but she had suffered persecution during the troubles under King Charles the First, and she left her native land and settled in the wilds of America in order to enjoy in peace the religion of her conscience. The country was then an unbroken wilderness, and in possession of the native Indians, and she is reported to have endured much hardship, and to have suffered greatly in the loss of property in this perilous enterprise. She is supposed to have been encouraged in the undertaking by the Rev. William Hook, who was, for a while, the spiritual guide of the settlement. It is found in the records of Taunton proprietors that, in setting out Miss Pool's lot, reference is made to the lot of Rev. Mr. Hook. She was never married. "In this most ancient town of Bristol County the curious traveller may see a fair slab, formerly laid over the grave of this virgin mother of Taunton, now removed to the common burial ground." The inscription on this slab represents that "She was a native of Old England, of good family, friends and prospects, all of which she left in the prime of life, to enjoy the religion of her conscience in this distant wilderness; a great proprietor of the township of Taunton, and chief promoter of its settlement and its corporation, in 1639–40, about which time she settled near that spot; and having employed the opportunity of her virgin state in piety, liberality, and sanctity of manners, died May 21st, in 1654, aged 65." It is perhaps impossible, at this time, to ascertain the names of all the associates of Miss Pool, who accompanied her to Taunton; but they were all, or principally, from Taunton in Old England; and the place was incorporated in the year 1639–40 by that name, the people declaring that "*in honor* and love of their dear and native country they called this place Taunton."

On the 7th of March, in the year 1643, the colonies of Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Haven, and Plymouth, entered into a perpetual league of friendship and amity, for offence and defence, by the name of "The United Colonies of New England." In that year, an enrolment was made of the male inhabitants of the several colonies, between the ages of sixteen and sixty, subject to military duty. In the enrolment of the inhabitants of Taunton, of that year, appears the name of WILLIAM HODGES. From him have descended all the families of that name in the southern part of Massachusetts.

It is supposed there were three brothers of the name of Hodges who came to Massachusetts in those early times, their names being *William*, *John* and *Richard*. Tradition favors this opinion. Two of them, John and Richard, settled in Salem, Essex County, Mass., and William in Taunton, Bristol County, Mass.

At a court held at Salem, January 27, 1638, *William* Hodges served upon a jury; and in the proceedings of the court held at the same place, Oct. 29, 1642, *John* and *Richard* are both mentioned. They all probably came to America as early as 1633.

There was a *Captain* Hodges at Boston as early as 1633, whose excursions by sea to Virginia, and to the coast of the present State of Maine, and to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, are mentioned in Winthrop's Journal. He seems also to have commanded a ship in several voyages from Boston to England and back, and is mentioned by Gov. Winthrop several times in connection with John Gallop, another sea captain; but as there is no reference to the voyages of either of them after the settlement was commenced at Taunton, and as John Gallop appears to have been a proprietor of land at Taunton, whose daughter a son of William afterwards married, it is probable that *Captain* Hodges of Boston, and *William* Hodges of Taunton, were the same individual, and that he and John Gallop abandoned the sea, to share with Miss Pool the perils of the wilderness at Ticticut. William must have been also at Salem temporarily in 1638, from his having served on a jury at that time. [See Note 1, at the end.] Beyond this, nothing very satisfactory appears in reference to William Hodges. He died April 2d, 1654, leaving two sons, John and Henry, and perhaps daughters.

In the year 1675, there was taken a list of the proprietors of land in the settlement of Taunton, and among them appears the name of *John Hodges*, (probably the eldest son,) who was proprietor, "in right that was of his father," and *Henry Hodges*, who was proprietor "in the right that was of John Gallop, his father-in-law." In the confirmatory grant of Wil-

liam Bradford, in the year 1689, John and Henry Hodges are also mentioned as proprietors of land at Taunton. From these two individuals, John and Henry Hodges, have descended the two great branches of the Hodges family, well known in the southern part of Massachusetts.

Elder Henry Hodges was born in 1652; died Sept. 30, 1717, aged 65, as per sketch, copied from his grave stone, in this book. The following is copied from the "Proprietors' Records," Taunton; it is not a record of all of his children. See abstract of his will.

"Henery Hodges married to Ester Gallup, 17 Dec. 1674.

CHILDREN.

Mary, daughter of Henery Hodges,	b. 3 Feb.	1675.
Ester, " " " "	b. 17 "	1677.
William, son " " "	b. 18 March,	1680.
Charity, dau. " " "	b. 5 April,	1682.

Ester Gallup, daughter of John Gallup, born 21 July, 1653."

Tradition has preserved some information in regard to these men, but beyond this, little satisfactory is known, as written memorials of those early times are scarce. It appears that in later years, births and deaths in families were more generally recorded in town records than they are now.

John Hodges lived a little west of Taunton Green, on the Providence road, at the place where William Hodges, his descendant, now lives, (1853.) He appears to have been a man of enterprise, and he was successful in the accumulation of property, as there is reference made to different tracts of land held by him in the settlement. He must have been born about the year 1650, and he probably died about 1745, leaving seven sons, according to the following, copied from the proprietors' records, Taunton:—

"John Hodges married Elizabeth Macy, 15 May, 1672.

CHILDREN.

John, son of John,	born 5 April,	1673.
Nathaniel, " " " "	2 April,	1675.
Samuel, " " " "	20 May,	1678.
William, " " " "	6 June,	1682.
George, " " " "	27 Nov.,	1685.
Ebenezer, " " " "	13 March,	1687.
Nathan, " " " "	23 Oct.,	1690."

The abovenamed George died in Norton, Aug. 10, 1713, aged 27.—*Norton records.*

Of Henry Hodges, the other son of William, a little more is known. He seems to have been a man of much respectability and worth of character. He was a leading man in both the

civil and military affairs of the settlement. He was known as "Captain Hodges," and was a Deacon (the rank of *captain* being probably considered about equal to that of *deacon* in those days) and *presiding Elder* in the church, and, as is said, occupied a seat in the pulpit with the Rev. Samuel Danforth, who succeeded the Rev. Wm. Hook in the pastoral care of the church at Taunton. As the clergyman was undoubtedly the most considerable personage in the settlement, it is fair to presume that a *captain* commanding their military forces, and the *presiding elder* in their church, especially if both offices were united in the same individual, would rank next to the minister. But however this may have been, he was a highly esteemed and valuable member of the settlement in those primitive days. He lived a little west of Taunton Green, about half way between Crossman's Mills and the place where his brother John lived, and within a few yards of the place where a red schoolhouse stood in 1820. At that time there were some indications on the surface of the earth of the spot where the cellar had been. The wife of Henry Hodges was Ester Gallop, daughter of John Gallop, who is supposed to be the sea captain of the name before alluded to.

In the will of Henry Hodges of Taunton the following are the names of his children mentioned, viz.: sons, William, John, Joseph, Henry, Benjamin, Ephraim; daughters, Mary Keith, Ester Southworth, Charity Leonard, Elizabeth Hodges, Abigail Hodges; wife, Ester. Date of will, Sept. 17, 1717. Witness, Samuel Danforth, Jonathan Harvey, Samuel Danforth, Jr. Will proved, Nov. 4, 1717. It would appear by this will, that he left, at his death, eleven children, viz., six sons and five daughters.

Descendants of Henry Hodges.

Henry Hodges, son of the first Henry, probably known as *Lieut.* Henry Hodges, lived about two miles west of Taunton Green, on the Providence road. He married Sarah Leonard; he died (according to the record on his grave stone) Sept. 18, 1735, in the 70th year of his age, leaving two sons, Henry and James.

Henry Hodges, grandson of the first Henry, was well known in his day as "Captain Henry Hodges." He lived on the south side of the road leading from Taunton to Norton, and about a quarter of a mile east of the "Three-Mile River Bridge." He married Mary Eddy, daughter of Joseph Eddy, and died in the year 1779, aged 55, leaving six sons, viz.: Zephaniah, Spencer, Henry, Elkanah, James, and Abiathar.

Zephaniah Hodges, son of the third Henry, married Hannah Shaw, and lived at the place where his father had lived,

and died in the year 1793, aged 49 years. He had one son, Zephaniah Leonard, and three daughters, Jemima, Mary, and Nancy. Zephaniah Leonard Hodges entered Brown University, but never graduated. He has since lived in Taunton. Jemima intermarried with Capt. Asa Arnold, of Norton.

Spencer, son of the third Henry, married Mercy Dean, a daughter of Nathan Dean; and Abiathar, Tabitha Burt, daughter of Jacob Burt.

Henry Hodges, son of the third Henry, lived in the house next east of his father's, on the opposite side of the road. He married Anna Hodges, (out published Feb. 5, 1778—records of George Godfrey,) daughter of William Hodges of Taunton, and died in the year ——, aged 79. He had four daughters, viz., Sarah, Fanny, Lydia, and Betsey.

Benjamin Hodges, son of the first Henry, settled in Norton, not far from what in those days was called "Crooked Meadow," and at the place where Ephraim Allen lived in 1835. He left one son, Ephraim, and several daughters—the names of none but Rachel known. Ephraim Hodges died at sea, about the year 1768, being about 38 years of age, leaving five sons, viz., Benjamin, Ephraim, Nathaniel, Ezra, and Daniel, and two daughters, viz., Rachel and Polly.

Ephraim Hodges, son of Benjamin and grandson of the *first Henry*, referred to above, was on a whaling voyage at the time of his death, *his son Benjamin* being with him and both in the same boat; when attacking a large whale, the harpoon was thrown, the whale turned upon the boat, or in his *flurry* struck the boat, knocking overboard some of the men, and among the number Ephraim Hodges, who was drowned in sight of his then young son Benjamin. This event was related to the writer by Benjamin, when he was over ninety years of age. Benjamin Hodges was a merchant in Providence, in the olden time. After the whaling voyage referred to, he fitted out a vessel from Providence, on a trading voyage to the West Indies, sold his cargo there, at a good round price, received the proceeds in specie; was homeward bound, when one or two days out and becalmed, they were boarded by a large boat-load of armed pirates, who took possession of the vessel, had the specie brought out of the cabin, the kegs and boxes were opened, and the money divided among the pirates, in the presence of the owner. After taking from the vessel everything of value, they told the captain and owner that they must consider themselves very fortunate not to be required *to walk the plank*. The pirates then left them.

Benjamin Hodges died in December, 1842, aged about 92 years, at Sanford Freeman's, in Norton. His death took place shortly after his removal from Providence. He had outlived

all his family, his wife, (they had no children,) brothers, sisters, all of his acquaintances in early life, (except the late Judge Laban Wheaton of Norton, who was about his own age,) "*all, all dead and gone,*" as he was wont to express himself, and he left alone, "a monument of God's sparing mercy." He always appeared very cheerful and happy, notwithstanding he had past through such a checkered life. The writer was in the habit of visiting him frequently during the last fifteen years of his life, when he was at the *Dexter Asylum*, and also at his boarding-place in Providence, and none made him more *heartily welcome* or appeared more happy to see him than "Uncle Ben."

He served a short time in the army of the Revolution, and received a pension a few years before his death. He was at one time connected in business with the late Ozias Danforth of Providence. He married, in early life, Abigail Hodges, daughter of the first Jonathan; she died in Providence, May 5th, 1807, aged fifty years.

Joseph Hodges, son of the first Henry, settled in Norton, at the "*Crooked Meadow,*" and at the place where Capt. Seth Hodges lived in 1844. He was a man of a brave and chivalrous spirit, and bore the commission of major in the British army, in the "Old French War." He died at the age of fifty-five, and in the early part of that war, when stationed on the lines between the present State of Maine and Canada. He was engaged in several severe actions with the French; and in one of them he took from a French officer a splendid sword, which is preserved as an heir-loom in the family. He married Bethiah Williams, March 11th, 1712. She was the daughter of Thomas Williams, (son of the first Richard.) They had eight children, viz.:—

Joseph,	born	April 25, 1714.	See record which follows.
Charity,	"	Mar. 30, 1716.	
Timothy,	"	Oct. 11, 1718.	See sketch which follows.
Jonathan,	"	Feb. 26, 1721.	See record which follows,
Bethiah,	"	Nov. 30, 1723.	for his descendants.
Mary,	"	July 2, 1726.	
Isaac,	"	Feb. 4, 1728.	See record which follows,
Mehitable,	"	Oct. 24, 1731.	for his descendants.

Joseph Hodges, born in 1714, eldest son of Major Joseph Hodges, lived about a half a mile west of his father, on the same road, at the place where William Hodges lived in the year 1850. He held a captain's commission in the British army in the "Old French War." He was a man of desperate bravery. In the latter part of the war he was stationed near Fort Schuyler, in the State of New York, and on taking command of a detachment of colonial troops, he went out on what

was termed an Indian scout, a kind of service the most daring and desperate. He and his whole party fell into the hands of the Indians, and were all killed, except one man by the name of William Merry. Merry was taken prisoner; he, however, was released, and returned home to relate the melancholy fate of his brave, but unfortunate captain and associates. He married Marian Hodges, daughter of ——— Hodges, and died at about the age of 35, leaving one son, Joseph, and two daughters, viz., Naomi and Nancy.

The following letter from the Rev. Joseph Hodges, of North Oxford, Mass., will undoubtedly be read with interest:—

North Oxford, *Otober* 4, 1853.

A. D. Hodges, Esq.,
Washington Bank, Boston.

Dear Sir,—Yours of the 1st inst. came to hand to-day. As I was looking over some old documents, preparatory to my fulfilling the promise made to you when last in Boston, I have deferred writing, partly on account of pressing engagements and partly because I hoped to see or hear from my father. Had I heard from him, I could have been more explicit in my statements, perhaps have added more. I take the liberty to make a statement relative to Major Joseph Hodges, son of Capt. or rather *Elder* Henry Hodges, he having borne probably both titles, as stated by Rufus Hodges in his record.

It has always been related of Major Joseph Hodges, that in the Old French War he went on an expedition against Cape Breton; that on his returning voyage in a French vessel, he died suddenly, and there was suspicion that he was poisoned. I have in my possession a copy of his will, dated "the twenty-fifth day of February, in ye eighteenth year of his Majesty's reign, George the Second, King, &c., Anno Domini 1744-5." In this will is named his silver-hilted sword. Rufus Hodges' record, page 9, states, "He (Major H.) was engaged in several severe actions with the French, and in one of them he took from a French officer a splendid sword, which is preserved as an heirloom in the family." It is true that this sword may have been taken from a French officer, but if so, it must have occurred before the date of his will and before he went out against Cape Breton, for he expressly says in this will, "Being now designed to go on an expedition against Cape Breton." Of a previous service I know not that we have any information.

The will of Capt. Joseph Hodges, son of Major Joseph Hodges, I have in my possession; it is dated "this first day of May, in the twenty-ninth year of his Majesty's reign, Anno Domini 1756." An inventory of "sundries," belonging to the

late Capt. Joseph Hodges, is in my possession, dated "Camp at Lake George, Oct. 7th, 1756." I have also quite a number of enlistments of private soldiers "to serve his Majesty King George the Second, in a company of foot, under the command of Joseph Hodges as Captain, to be raised for the expedition for the *Reduction* of Crown Point.

Capt. Hodges, with his company, left home probably about the first of May, 1756, and died about the first of October of the same year.

The circumstances of the death of Capt. Joseph Hodges were given to his family by William Merry, who was a soldier under his command at the time of the desperate conflict in which he was killed. It had fallen to the lot of another officer to go out on this service termed a "scout," for the purpose of making discoveries of the enemy, and especially that part of the enemy composed of Indians, which it was most hazardous to meet in a service of this kind. In consequence of illness, this officer was excused. Capt. Hodges volunteered his services on this occasion, and those who accompanied him were volunteers. His command numbered 60 men. The company had marched nearly to the point designated in the order given to Capt. Hodges, when he made a halt, for the purpose of refreshment. A party was despatched to the lake, with canteens, for water; they returned immediately, with the alarming information that they saw on the shore of the lake hundreds of fresh tracks of Indians in the sand by the lake. The order was immediately given to resume the march. The company had proceeded but a short distance, when the firing from every quarter convinced them that they were surrounded by Indians. Capt. Hodges charged his men "to fight for their lives;" he set his men the example by the energetic use of his own gun, which he carried on this occasion, instead of his sword. He and his men fought bravely, but were overpowered by numbers. Merry's testimony was, that he fought by the side of his commander, who was first wounded in the ankle by a musket ball, when he dropped on his knees, and continued to fire and encourage his men. Another ball struck him in the breast. Placing one hand on the wound, to check the flowing blood, with his musket in the other, he still kept the Indians at bay; one of whom reached forward to sever his scalp; foiled thus, the Indian levelled his gun and shot him through the head, when the brave captain fell. It was Merry's custom to relate with pride, that he killed the Indian who aimed the last fatal shot at his commander, of whose bravery and character he spoke in the highest terms. Merry was taken prisoner; nearly if not all the rest of the company were slaughtered. After being a prisoner with the Indians five years, Merry made his

escape and returned to Norton, where he passed the remainder of his days in a quiet and humble life. He had the reputation of being an honest, simple-hearted man, and his statement may be relied on as faithful.

At the time of the death of Capt. Joseph Hodges, the English encampment, to which he was attached, was most probably near Lake George. Rufus Hodges speaks of this engagement as occurring near Fort Schuyler, and makes no mention of Lake George. It is possible that Sabbath-day-Point, referred to under the name of Lake George, is the spot near which Capt. Hodges and his party met their fate. I hope to be in Boston the last of this month. I shall be happy to receive or impart any information, useful or interesting, respecting our ancestry. In respect to my father, it may be proper to say that he held the commission of Captain, from the year 1807 to the year 1812, under Gov. Strong, and of course he used the "silver-hilted sword." I may further state that he received the commission of Justice of the Peace, about the year 1825.

Believe me yours, very truly,

JOSEPH HODGES, Jr.

P. S.—I shall forward to you some papers, which, as a matter of curiosity, you may be interested to peruse. I value them, though crude and torn, as they have come down from generation to generation.

The following is a copy of a paper sent me by Rev. Joseph Hodges, referred to by him in his letter. The orthography is adhered to. The writing cannot be represented:—

A List of the Solders listed to go in the (Expedition?) at Cape Breton, under the command of Major Joseph Hodges, Lieut. ———, and Ensign Caswell.

Names.	Age.	Where Born.	Names.	Age.	Where Born.
Sargants,			Thomas fillebrown,	29	Cambridge.
Richard Cobb,	28	Taunton.	Abijah fisher,	24	Norton.
Baly Biship,	30	Attleboro.'	John fisher,	21	"
Benj. Esty,	43	Ipswich.	Eleazar fisher,	17	"
Nehemiah fisher,	41	Taunton.	John forrist,	22	"
Corporals,			Isaiah forrist,	21	"
Eliphelet Hodges,	27	Taunton.	Samuel forrist,	19	"
Joseph Tiffany,	55	Portsmouth.	Ephraim french,	20	Braintree.
Richard Glen.	25	Freetown.	Jacob french,	17	"
Robert Tiffany,	28	Attleboro'.	Thomas Grover,	20	Norton,
Clark,			Benjamin Hodges,	18	Taunton.
Elhanan Lyon,	30	Dorchester.	Heber Honnestman,	43	Dorchester.
Drummer,			Zepheinah Lane,	19	Norton.
Thomas Braman,	28	Norton.	Aron Napp,	50	freetown.
			John Rogers,	20	Tauntòn.
Philip Atherton,	23	Norton,	Ephraim Sheldon,	17	Marblehead.
Edward Blancher,	22	Marbreth, in Ireland.	Philip Thayer,	48	Braintree.
			Ebenezer Terner,	28	dedham.
Jeremiah Cambel,	29	Norton.	Ephraim Thayer,	18	Norton.
Henry Crosman,	35	Taunton.	Abraham White,	26	Taunton.
John Caperon,	18	Barrington.	Daniel White,	20	"
Micajah Dorman,	22	Norton.	John Weeks,	17	Attleboro'.
Edward Day,	29	Rehoboth.	Benj. Wood,	19	Middleboro'.

Boston, March 16, 1744.

Seven Men carried over to Capt. Nathanael Williams. There names are as followeth:—John finney, John finney, Jr., Jonathan Lane, Thomas Slack, frances Burdit, Amos Pratt, Andrew Brune.

One desarted the 15 of this instant March; his name is Ceesar Hammer, an Indian man.

Boston, March the 8: 1744.

A True Coppy, per

ELHANAN LYON, Jr., Clark.

Boston, March 15, 1744-5.

Rec'd of Maj'r Hodgers Seven men, viz., John Finney, Andrew Burn, John Finney, Jr, Jonathan Lane, Francis Burde, Amos Pratt, and Thomas Slack, with their guns and Cerdres (cartridge?) Boxas, Excpteing John Finney June, wich had Gun of his one. NATH. WILLIAMS.

The following is the copy of an enlistment of *Elijah Gary*, under Capt. Joseph Hodges, in the expedition for the "Reduction of Crown Point:"—

I, Elijah Gary, do acknowledge to have voluntarily Enlisted myself as a Private Soldier to serve his Majesty King George the Second, in a Company of Foot, under the Command of Joseph Hodges as Captain, to be raised for the Expedition now Preparing for the Reduction of Crown Point; and I do *acknoledg* I have received Six dollars as bounty Money, according to the act of General Court of the Provence of the Massachusetts Bay.

As Witness my hand this Sceiventeenth day of March, in the Year of our Lord 1756. ELIJAH GARY.

The following inventory was taken after the death of Capt. Joseph Hodges:—

Camp at Lake George, Oct. 7, 1756.

A Inventory of Sundrys Belonging to the late Cap^{n} Joseph Hodges, deceased—in old Ten$^{r.}$

	£	s.	d.
To 1 Hatt,	4	10	0
To 1 Great Coat,	4	10	0
To 1 Camblet Coat,	5	00	0
To 1 Homespun Ditto,	4	10	0
To 1 pair of Red Everlasting Breeches,	1	00	0
To 1 white Dimothy Tacker,	1	10	0
To 1 white Shirt,	3	00	0
To 1 flannel Shirt,	2	10	0
To 2 pair Yarn Stockings,	0	18	0
To 1 Brown Wig,	1	00	0
To 2 white Caps,	0	09	0
To 1 pair white Gloves,	0	04	6
To 1 Hanger,	2	05	0
	31	06	6

A True Inventory Takin by us the Subscribers,

BENJ$^{A.}$ WILLIAMS,
WILLIAM BACON,
THO$^{S.}$ LORD.

Copy of Major Joseph Hodges' Will, made previous to his going on the Expedition against Cape Breton, in 1745. *The orthography is preserved.*

In the name of God amen. I, Joseph Hodges of Norton, in the County Bristall, in the Provience of Masachusets Bay, in New England, Gentleman, being now in the fifty-seventh year of my age, and in very good health of Boddy and of a sound mind memory, blessed be God for it; (but being now

designed to go on an Expedition against Cap britton,) and calling to mind it is appointed for all men once to dey, &c., I do make this my last Will testement, as followeth :—

First—I Give and Bequeith my Sole to God that Gave it, and redeemed it with the blood of his Sone our blessed Lord Jesus Christ.

Secondly—I Give and Bequeith my Boddy to the Grave, to be decently buryed by my Execeter, hereafter named, in hopes of a Joyfull Resurection; and as to my outward or Worldly estate, which God in his goodness hath blessed me with, I Give, Bequeith and despose thereof as followeth :—First—I Give and Bequeith unto my well beloved wife Mary Hodges, twenty pounds in old tenner Bills, to be paid to her by my Execeter Here after named, in order for her to bey a sute of mourning clothes with.

And I order that my Execeter, hereafter named, Pay and fulfill the agreement which I made with my beloved wife when I was married to her, and to be paid out of my menebell estate.

2dly—I Give unto my Eldest sone, Joseph Hodges, and to his heyrs and assigns for ever, my Silver-Hilted Sword. 3dly—I Give unto my three Sons, Joseph Hodges, Timothy Hodges, and Jonathan Hodges, all my waring apparill, to be equilly deivided between them. I also give them the youse and improvement of my House and farme wharein I now dwell, till my son Isaac Hodges shall come to the age of twenty-one years, to receive the posesion thare of himself, and thay to keep the farme and fences in as Good Repayer as it tis now.

4ly—I Give unto my fourth son, Isaac Hodges and to his heyrs and assigns for ever, my new dwelling House and Barne and farme whare on I now liveth, and he to receive the posession thare of when he shall arive to the age of twenty-one year. I order him my said Sone, Isaac Hodges, to pay unto my sone Jonathan Hodges, fifty Pounds in bills of credit of the old tenner, or fifty Pounds worth of Iron at the then carrant price in old tenner, which shall be paid in One Year after my said Sone Isaac shall arive to the age of twenty-one years of age. I Give unto my three Eldest sons, Joseph Hodges, Timothy Hodges, and Jonathan Hodges, my lott of Seeder Swamp which lyeth in a swamp by the name of Seconk Seder Swamp, which I bought at two times. I Give and bequeith unto my two Youngest daughters, Mary and Mehitabell Hodges, one hundred and fifty Pounds old tener, to Each of them, to be paid out of my menabell estate. I also Give unto my sone Isaac Hodges the Bead & Beadstid whare on he now leyeth, togeather with the furneture there to belonging, and also four sheep which he now Calleth his.

I also give unto my sone, Jonathan Hodges, fifty pounds old tenner, or fifty pounds in old tenner worth of iron, which is to be paid to him by my sone Isaac Hodges, in one year after his arriving to the age of twenty one years.

All the rest of my menabell estate, and mony dew to me, of what kind or nater soever, I give it to be equilly devided between my four daughters, Charity Winslow, the wife of James Winslow, of Fretowne, and Bethiah Godfrey, the wife of George Godfrey, of Taunton, and Mary Hodges and Mehitabell Hodges, and to theyr heyrs and assigns forever; and the reason that I have not given any more to my three sons, Joseph, Timothy and Jonathan, and my two daughters, Charity and Bethiah, is, that I have given them the most that I designed for them already; and I do hereby desire and empower and appoint my loving friend, George Leonard, of Norton, aforesaid, Esq., to be guardin to my youngest sone, Isaac Hodges, and to advise him, and bind him out to larne a trade. And I do hereby appoint my two Eldest sons, Joseph Hodges and timothy, to be joynt Executors, to this my last will and testement, ordering and Empowering them to receive, and all debts dew and owing to me, and pay all that is dew from me out of my estate, and to see that this my will, be fulfilled in every respect. I do hereby revoke and disalow all and every other will heretofore by me made, declaring this and none but this my last will and testament; in witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale this, twenty fifth day of February, in ye Eighteenth year of his Majesty Reigne George the Second, King &c., anno domini, 1744—5. Signed, sealed, and so forth omitted in this copy.

Ephraim Leonard, JOSEPH HODGES, [Seal.]
Jonathan Linken,
Daniell Braman
John fisher. *A Copy.*

Copy of Capt. Joseph Hodges' Will.

In the name of God, amen: I Joseph Hodges of Norton, in the County of Bristol, in the Provance of the Massachusetts Bay, in New England, Gentleman, being in a good state of Bodily health, and of a sound disposing mind, and memory, thanks be given to God for it. But as I am going into his Majistes service, think it proper to settle my Estate, by my last Will and testament as followeth:—and principally and first of all, I commit my soul into the hands of God that Gave it, and my Body to the Earth in decent Christian Burial; and the Worldly Estate that God in his Providince hath Blessed me With, I Give, demise, and dispose of the same as followeth:

Imprimis: I will and order, that all the debts that I justly

owe to any person whatsoever, be paid in convenient time after my decease. *Item:* I Give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Mariam Hodges, a certain piece of land lying in Norton, aforesaid, Containing about sixty acres, be the same more or less, being all the land I bought of My brother Timothy Hodges, and my third part of a saw-mill in said Norton, with all the rights to the same belonging, it being in partnership with my brother, Isaac Hodges, and Timothy Hodges, and also all my movable or personal Estate, of what kind or nature soever, (Except my Gun and Silver Hilted sword,) to her heirs and assigns forever, and also the use and improvement of all the rest of my Real Estate, during the time she shall remain my Widdow, all which I Give her, to enable her to pay all of my Juste debts, and Charge of settling this, my Estate, and also to enable her to bring up my children, and if to be in full for her thirds or dowry, or power of thirds in my Estate, if she pleases to accept the same.

Item: I give to my son Joseph Hodges, his heirs and assigns for ever, all my Cedar Swamp, that Came to me by my father, and is in Partnership with my brother Timothy Hodges and Jonathan Hodges, and I also give to my sd son, the one half of all my real Estate not before particularly given away in this my Will, and also my Silver Hilted Sword and Gun; Excepting the use and improvement of the real Estate to my widdow, during her Widdowhood.

Item: I Give and Bequeath unto my two Daughters, namely, Meriem Hodges, and Neoma Hodges, to them, their heirs and assigns forever, to be Equally devided between them, the remaining halfe part of my real Estate not before particularly Given away to my Wife, and the Cedar Swamp to my sd son, excepting the use and improvement of the same, to my wife during the time she remains my Widow. And I do hereby appoint my sd Wife to be Guardeon to my sd three Children, Joseph, Meriam and Neoma, to take Care to maintain and bring them up as she shall think best, and I also desire and impour her to take care of the Estate I have given to them. And whereas, I have given the use and improvement of the real which I have given to my three Children, to my Wife, during the time she remains my Widdow, and no longer. Now my mind and will is that, If my sd wife shall marry again before my sd Children arrive to the age of twenty one years, that my sd wife shall take ye management of the sd Children's estat, and accompt with them, when they shall arrive to the age of twenty one years, she paying herselfe what is reasonable for her trouble in so doing. And I do appoint and substitute my said wife, my only and sole Executrix, of this my last will and testament, ratifying and Confirming this,

and this only, to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making null and void all other will and testament before this time by me made, and Executors by me named ; in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this first day of May, in the twenty-ninth Year of his Majesties Rein, annodomini 1756. Signed, sealed, published and pronounced, and declared by the said Joseph Hodges,

to be his last will and testament,

in the presents of us,

William Pain Juneor — JOSEPH HODGES. [Seal]

George Leonard Junr.

Anna Leonard

Sarah Dean,

Bristol, ss. January ye 5th, 1757.

Then before the Honble George Leonard Esq., Judge of the Probate of Wills &c., for the county of Bristol, came George Leonard Jur., Anna Leonard and Sarah Dean, three of the Witnesses to the before written Instrument, importing the last will and testament of Joseph Hodges, late of Norton deceased, and made oath that they were present and saw the deceased sign, seal, and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last will and testament, and that he was of a sound disposing mind and memory when he so did, and that they, together with William Paine Junr., signed at witness at the same time, and all in the presence of the Testator.

GEORGE LEONARD.

George Leonard, Jr., Reg.

A true Copy, Examined per George Leonard, Jr., Reg.

Joseph Hodges, son of the last named Joseph, and grandson of Major Joseph, lived at the place where his father did. He was well known as *Captain Joseph Hodges.* He was much respected and esteemed by his neighbors. He married Lurana Williams —— daughter of Simeon Williams, of Taunton, and died April 10, 1810, aged 57. His widow Lurana died Jan. 8, 1831, in the 79th year of her age. Their intention of marriage was published Jan. 5, 1775.

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
William.	Henry.	1st Joseph.	2d Joseph.	3d Joseph.

Descendants of Joseph Hodges and Lurana Williams.

Names of their Children.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Miriam Hodges,	1776	dec'd	Norton, Mass.	Isaac Lane. They have had seven children, viz., Miriam, Isaac, Simeon (deceased), Sarah Ann, James, Angelina and Fanny.
Lurana "	1778		" "	David Lane. They have had four children, viz., David, Lurana W., Ferdinand and Mary. Second marriage with Samuel Hunt.
Joseph "	1781		Palmer, "	Sally Gilbert. They have had three children, viz., Joseph, Sally, Gilbert. Sally and Gilbert dec'd.
Sophia "	1783		Norton, "	Isaac White. They have had four children, viz., Clarissa, Sophia H., Charlotte and Marietta.
Williams "	1786		" "	Avis Whitmarsh. They have had seven children, viz., Charles W.,* Joseph F., Mary A., Angelina P., Clarissa, Emma, & Alfred Baylies.
Clarissa "	1788		Taunton, "	Hodges Reed, May 13, 1813. They have had two children, as per record which follows.
Nancy "	1790		Mansfield, "	Elijah Copeland. They have had six children, viz., Elijah, Almon, Laura, Stella, Sarah, Lurana.
Simeon "	1794	1798	Norton, "	

The abovenamed Joseph Hodges,[5] grandson of Major Joseph, bore the commission of a Lieutenant in the war of the Revolution, and wore the celebrated sword. His son, Capt. Joseph Hodges, of Palmer, thinks he was stationed on Rhode Island.

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
William.	Henry.	1st Joseph.	2d Joseph.	3d Joseph.	4th Joseph.	5th Joseph.

The Rev. Joseph Hodges,[7] a descendant of Major Joseph, and fifth of the name as above, (to whom I am indebted for interesting documents,) is now, 1853, a resident of North Oxford, Mass. 7-3 aet 38

He was a graduate of Waterville College, Maine, in 1830; received the degree of A. M. in 1834; went through a regular course of study in the Newton Theological Institution, Mass., and graduated (dismissed as it is termed) in 1833; was ordained as Pastor of the Baptist Church in Weston, Mass., Nov. 18, 1835; and is now Pastor of the Baptist Church at North

* Charles W., member of the House of Representatives of Mass. in 1853.

Oxford, Mass. He married Rosabella Stockbridge, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Stockbridge, of Bath, Maine.

THEIR CHILDREN.

Rosabella,	born in	Weston,	Mass.,	June 5,	1837.
Joseph,*	" "	"	"	Jan. 15,	1839.
Arthur,	" "	Amherst,	"	June 11,	1841.
Sarah Stockbridge,	" "	Palmer,	"	Sept.27,	1843.
Alice Ray,	" "	"	"	Mar. 1,	1846.
Gilbert,	" "	Brookfield,	"	Dec. 8,	1850.

The Rev. Joseph Hodges is now in possession of that "celebrated sword" which has been handed down from generation to generation, and which was owned by his ancestor, Major Joseph Hodges.

Children of Hodges Reed and Clarissa Hodges of Taunton.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, and Remarks.
Edgar Hodges Reed,	1814		Taunton,	Ellen A. Godfrey, August 30, 1837.
Clarissa Williams "	1817		Boston,	Benj. W. Williams, May 25, 1846.
Frederic Alonzo "	1821		Taunton,	Mary C. Hubbard, April 30, 1850.
Evelina "	1825		"	James H. Dean, October 10, 1849.
Charlotte Augusta "	1828		"	

The abovenamed Hodges Reed was a merchant in Boston for a number of years. Four of his children (last named) were born there. Mr. Reed is now—1853—in mercantile business in Taunton. His eldest son, Edgar, is a merchant in Taunton. His second son, the Rev. Frederick Alonzo, graduated at Amherst College in 1843, at Bangor Theological Seminary in 1846, and was settled in Cohasset, Mass.

Timothy Hodges, son of Major Joseph, lived at the "Crooked Meadows," near the line between Taunton and Norton, a little east of the house of Capt. Rufus Hodges. He married Lydia Cox, daughter of William Cox, and died about the year 1791, being 72 years of age, leaving two sons, Timothy and Joseph, and four daughters, Lydia, Sally, Bethiah and Betsey.

Timothy Hodges, son of the last named Timothy, married Ruth King, daughter of Josiah King, and removed to the State of New York.

Joseph Hodges, son of the first Timothy, married Tyla White, daughter of Abraham White; Lydia, his sister, inter-

* The sixth of the name in regular descent from Major Joseph Hodges.

married with David Hodges, son of Jonathan Hodges; Sally with Nedebiah Lincoln; Bethiah with John Norton; and Betsey with Waterman Sweet.

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.
William.	Henry.	Joseph.	Jonathan.

Children of Jonathan Hodges (son of Major Joseph) and Abigail Sanford.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Bethiah Hodges,	1744	1829	Norton, Mass.	Nathaniel Freeman. They had nine children, viz., Abigail, John, Sarah, Bethia, Hetty, Nathaniel, Sanford, Polly, and Rachel.
Abigail "	1747	1750	" "	
Wealthy "	1749	1835	" "	Josiah Hodges. See record which follows.
Mehitable "	1751	About 1840	Orange, "	Josiah Cobb, of Orange, Mass.
Amasa "	1754	1762	Norton,	
Abigail "	1756	1807	Providence.	Benjamin Hodges of Providence. See sketch of him preceding.
George "	1759	1828	Norton, Mass.	Phœbe Arnold. They had one son, George, who died Sept. 7, 1843. See sketch which follows.
Mercy "	1761	1761	" "	
Jonathan "	1763	1814	" "	Sarah Danforth. They had five children, viz., Sarah, Susannah, Jonathan, Almon D. and Newton S., as per record which follows.
Selah "	1766	1851	Rehoboth "	Kent Bullock. They have had five children, viz., Jonathan, Abby, George, Salmon D. (deceased), and Wm. Kent.

The abovenamed Jonathan Hodges was a farmer and clothier. He lived in Norton, at the place which he left to his son Jonathan. (See account which follows.) He died July 18th, 1795, aged 74 years. Abigail his wife, died Sept. 29, 1795, aged 75 years. They were both members of the Church in Norton. Jonathan Hodges was a good citizen and a pious man; he joined the Church in early life, during the latter part of the pastorship of the Rev. Joseph Avery, or more probably during the early charge of the Church of the Rev. Joseph Palmer, who was ordained Jan. 3, 1753. His wife Abigail was admitted to the Church, or "received into communion," June 28, 1761, and their child, Jonathan Hodges, was baptized May 29, 1763. He was probably admitted to the Church sometime between 1753 and 1761. The following is a copy of his confession of faith. A copy of his last will and testament will also be found herewith; also a schedule of the property left to his eldest daughter, Bethiah Freeman, who died in 1829, at the age of 85 years:—

I desire to bless God for that he hath cast my lot in a Gospel Land, whare I haue the Glad tidings of a Sauiour proclamed in mine ears, and for that I haue the holy Scriptures to Read & to direct me in the ways of God's comands; and I allso desiar to bless God for his Goodness to me, that I desended of such parents, who taught and instructed me and gaue me up to God in mine infency in baptisem, which is an ordanance apinted by Christ, to beleiuers & there infant seed; & not with standing God's goodnes to me, I haue sined a gainst him, I there fore acknowledge I deserues nothing from the hand of God, but his wrath and indgnattion to be poured out upon me; but I would bless his most holy name that he hath put it into my heart to be making my peace with him. I haue had a desire for som time to come to the Lord's table, but being in som measure sensable of my own unworthiness, I daust not, least by coming unworthily, I eat and drink iudgment to my self. But I haue taken incourigement from the word of God, to come up to this holy ordinance, as in marthew: 11: 28: come unto me, all ye that Labour and are heauy Laden, & I will giue you rest: John: 6: 37, and he that cometh to me, I will in no wise cast out. I desier to come hungering and thirsting after Christ, & to be putting my trust in him. I allso desire to forsake all sin, as it is a braaking of God's holy & iust law. I also desire the prayers of this Church to God for me, that so I may become a worthy communicant at the Lord's table.

Jonathan Hodges

A copy of the Will of Jonathan Hodges,[4] son of Major Joseph Hodges.

In the name of God amen. I, Jonathan Hodges of Norton, in the County of Bristol and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Gentleman, being now in a Comfortable State of Health and of a Sound and disposing mind and memory, think it my duty to make this my last Will and Testament.

First of all, I Commend my Soul to God who gave it, and my body to the Earth, to be decently buried, at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named; and the Worldly Estate which God has blessed me with, I dispose of as follows, to Wit:—

Imprimis: I Give and bequeath to my wife Abigail Hodges, one half of all my indoor moveables, to be at her own disposal; and as I have taken an Obligation of my Son Jonathan, for the

maintainance of my said Wife, the above gift to my said Wife, is in liew of her right of dower or thirds in my Estate.

Item: I Give to my son George Hodges, his heirs and assigns, five Shillings for his full share of my Estate, together with what I have already given him.

Item: I Give to my Son Jonathan Hodges, his heirs and assigns forever, all my homestead farm and buildings thereon, and the fulling-mill and previledges thereto belonging. I also give him my said Son Jonathan, all my Ceder Swamp. I also give my said Son Jonathan, all my stock of Cattle and all my personal estate whatever; and also give him my said Son Jonathan, one half of my indoor movables and all my wearing apparil to him, his heirs and assigns forever. *Item:* I Give to my five daughters, to wit: Bethiah, Wealtha, Mehitabel, Abagail, and Selah, five shillings to each of them; the reason I Give them no more in this will, is because I have Given them already their full portion out of my estate. All the rest and residue of my estate, both real and Personal, I Give to my Son Jonathan, whom I hereby appoint my Sole Executor of this my last will and testament, he paying all my just debts, legacies, funeral charges, and charges of administration; ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and testament.

In Testimony whereof, I have this Sixth day of January, in the Year of our Lord 1795, Set my hand and Seal.

Signed, Sealed, Published, Pronounced, and delivered by the said Jonathan Hodges, to be his last Will and Testament, in Presence of us,

James Hodges, JONATHAN HODGES. [Seal.]
Margaret Danforth, and
Silas Cobb.

April, 1763. *the acount of the Guds that I Gaue to my dafter, Bethiah freman, ye wife of Nathaniel freman, as foloeth:*

	£	s	d
to Beds and Beden, ...	9	5	6
to a Cais of draws, ...	2	10	0
to a tabel, ...	0	10	0
to a Chest, ...	0	6	0
to 6 chares, ...	0	8	0
to a Spining wheel, ...	0	8	0
to a Lukingglass and Baksiorn, . .	0	8	0
to a siue, ...	0	1	4
to pewter and half a Cais of kniues .	1	12	0
to a salt morter and plats and a trow, .	0	3	0
to athern wair and Glasses, ...	0	9	0
to sheers and Candel stick, ...	0	1	8

	£	s.	d.
to a fier shovel and tongs, ...	0	9	0
to a trannel, ...	0	5	0
to pots, a Citel and a spider and a skilet,	0	17	0
to Copers wair, ...	0	15	4
to a Cow, ...	3	18	0
	21	6	10

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
William.	Henry.	Joseph.	First Jonathan.	Second Jonathan.

Children of Jonathan Hodges and Sarah Danforth.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Sarah Hodges,	1794		Mercer, Me.	Richard Caswell, and they have had seven children, as per record which follows.
Susan "	1796		Taunton, Ms.	
Jonathan "	1799		" "	
Almon D. "	1801		Roxbury, "	Martha Comstock, deceased. Second marriage with Jane H. Leonard. See record which follows.
Newton S. "	1802		Norton, "	Lurana W. Lane. Have had five children. See rec. which follows.

The abovenamed Jonathan Hodges was a grandson of Major Joseph; he married Sarah Danforth, daughter of Elijah Danforth of Norton, (a descendant of Rev. Samuel Danforth of Taunton,) Aug. 3, 1790. He was, at the age of 17, a volunteer in the army of the American Revolution; was attached to Capt. Hayward's company, and stationed at West Point, at the time of the treachery of the traitor Benedict Arnold.

After the peace of 1783, he followed the occupation of his father, that of farmer and clothier, and resided on the same place of his father, about a half a mile south of what was known as the "Raymond Factory," in Norton, on the Taunton road. He was a man who was very much beloved and respected. He was assessor of taxes for the town of Norton, for a number of years. The following certificate shows the *large* amount of the tax for the town, for the year 1799:—

This Town Tax made by us the subscribers, this 28th day of Septr, 1799, containing $264 15 cts. 2 m., committed to Constable John Freeman, to collect.

Timothy Briggs Jr
Wm Burt
Jonathan Hodges
assessors of Norton

It appears by the following lines, that he was Chairman of the "Selectmen" for the town of Norton, for the year 1803:—

N. B.—We, the subscribers, will attend at the Dwelling-house of George Gilbert, innholder in Norton, on Monday, the fourth of April next, from 12 o'clock, at noon, til one o'clock, P. M., to receive evidence of the qualifications of persons whose names have not been entered on the foregoing List.
March 19th, 1803.

Jonathan Hodges
Samn Hunt
Wm Burt
Selectmen of Norton

He died March the 28th, 1814, at the age of 50. His wife Sarah died at the residence of her eldest son, Jonathan, in Taunton, Nov. 5th, 1831, aged 63 years.

Children of Richard Caswell and Sarah Hodges, daughter of the 2d Jonathan, mentioned in the preceding table.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
George Caswell,	1820		Bingham, Me.	
Almon "	1822		Mercer, "	Joanna H. Williams.
Harriet "	1824		Norton, Mass.	
Charlotte "	1826	1847	Lowell, "	John C. Baker. They have had one son, Henry A.
Albert "	1828		Skowhegan, Me.	
Edward "	1831		" "	
Susan H. "	1835		Mercer, "	

Children of Newton S. Hodges (son of the 2d Jonathan) and Lurana W. Lane of Norton, mentioned in the preceding table.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Emily Hodges,	1831		Boston, Mass.	Seneca Sanford, Jr., formerly of Attleborough, now residing in Boston. They have had two sons, John O. and Seneca.
Charles "	1834	1834	Taunton, "	
Frank Newton "	1835		Boston, "	
Sarah "	1838		Norton, "	
David L. "	1841		" "	

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1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
William.	Henry.	Joseph.	1st Jonathan.	2d Jonathan.	Almon D.

Children of Almon Danforth Hodges and Martha Comstock.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	Remarks.
Danforth C. Hodges,	1831		Roxbury, Mass.	
Wm. Townsend "	1833		" "	
George Foster "	1837		Cambridge, Ms.	
Frederick Stimson "	1839	1839	Providence, R. I.	
Frederick Stimson "	1840		Roxbury, Mass.	
Almon D., Jr., "	1843		" "	
Francis Olney "	1846	1852	" "	
Carroll "	1848	1849	Providence, R. I.	

The abovenamed Almon D. Hodges, son of the second Jonathan and great-grandson of Major Joseph Hodges, was born in Norton, Jan. 25th, 1801; commenced business in Providence, in 1823, with John J. Stimson, under the firm of

Stimson & Hodges, which copartnership continued until February, 1845, when he removed to Boston, and became one of the firm of Hodges, Emmons & Weld, and subsequently of Hodges & Emmons, South Market Street; which copartnership was dissolved in November, 1850, on his being elected President of the Washington Bank, Boston. He was married in Providence, October 15, 1827, to Martha Comstock, daughter of Samuel and Sally B. Comstock, (a descendant of Roger Williams.) Her death occurred in Roxbury, August 29, 1849, at the age of 42 years. His second marriage took place December 17, 1850, to Jane H. Leonard, second daughter of Doct. Amory Glazier of Fall River. By this marriage they have had one son, Amory G., born December 19th, 1852. The subject of this sketch was elected a member of the General Assembly of Rhode Island, from the city of Providence, in 1844, and was a member at the time of his removal to Boston, in February, 1845.

George Hodges, son of the first Jonathan and grandson of Major Joseph, lived on a place adjoining his brother Jonathan, which he inherited from his father. He married Phœbe Arnold, daughter of David Arnold of Norton; he died in 1828, at the age of 69 years, leaving one son, George. He followed the occupation of farmer and clothier.

George Hodges, son of George last mentioned, married Sally Harvey, daughter of Joel Harvey, and lived upon the place of his father. They had four daughters, viz., Phœbe, Sarah W., Nancy J., and Hannah.

Isaac Hodges, son of Major Joseph Hodges, lived at the place where his father did before him. He was remarkable for his strong natural sense, and great respectability and worth of character. He exerted in his day a commanding influence in the community in which he lived. He held the commission of Captain in the American Revolutionary War, and after that eventful struggle, he frequently represented his native town in the Legislature of the State. He married Mary Pratt, daughter of Benj. Pratt of Mansfield, and died in March, 1807, at the age of 78 years, leaving three sons, Jesse, Isaac, and Seth, and five daughters, Mary, Lucilda, Ranah, Hannah, and Rachel.

Jesse Hodges, son of the preceding Isaac Hodges, was born Oct. 3, 1755; he married Olive White, and removed to the State of New York. He had two children living in 1835, viz., Alfred and Olive.

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1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
William.	Henry.	Joseph.	1st Isaac.	2d Isaac.

Children and Descendants of Isaac Hodges, son of Capt. Isaac Hodges. He was born in Norton, in 1757—married Chloe Bishop, daughter of Nath'l Bishop of Attleborough.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Isaac Hodges,	1783	1833	Providence, R. I.	Fanny Allen, daughter of Noah Allen of Rehoboth. They have had one son and two daughters, as per record which follows.
Charles "	1787		" "	Julia Ann Burr. They have had eleven children, as per record which follows.
Jarvis "	1789		Norton, Mass.	Mehitable Tisdale. They have had one son, Jarvis, (who died in 1837,) and two daughters, Hannah T. and Mehitable. First wife deceased in 1826. Second wife, Rhoda Fairbank; they have had one daughter, Maria L. Mehitable, the second daughter, intermarried with Dr. Geo. H. Randall of Norton; they have had one son, George H.
Bradford "	1792		Providence, R. I.	Joanna Whipple of Providence, who died in 1850. Second marriage, April 13, 1853, with Maria S. Cummings, of Auburn, Mass.
Harford "	1800	1828	Charleston, S. C.	
Chloe "	1784		Providence, R. I.	Massa Bassett of Providence, formerly of Norton. They have had nine children, as per rec. which follows. Mr. B. is not living.
Polly "	1794		Norton, Mass.	Blanchard Braman of Norton, (deceased.) They have had three daughters, Mary H., Julian, and Chloe Adeline.
Eliza "	1797		" "	Thomas Copeland of Norton.—They have had four children, Thomas H., Joseph, Harriet, and Mary.

Isaac Hodges, grandson of Major Joseph Hodges, mentioned in the preceding table, was a man very much respected, whose venerable form will long be remembered by his descendants. He was for many years one of the "selectmen" of the town of Norton; presiding officer at the town meetings; justice of the peace; administrator of the estates of his deceased neighbors; Representative for many years to the State Legislature. He was a man much esteemed by his fellow-citizens; of a strong, well balanced mind, capable of holding any place within their

gift. He served his country as a volunteer in the army of the American Revolution; he died July 25, 1840, at the advanced age of 83 years. His wife, Chloe Hodges, died Oct. 11, 1841, aged 79 years.

Isaac Hodges, the third of the name, born in 1783, and died in Providence, in 1833, leaving one son, Isaac, and two daughters, Fanny M., and Chloe B. His widow, Fanny Hodges, died in 1847, aged 59 years.

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1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
William.	Henry.	Joseph.	Isaac.	2d Isaac.	Charles.

Children and Grand-Children of Charles Hodges and Julia Ann Burr.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Charles Wm. Hodges,	1811	1844	Providence,	Loisa Jane Bigelow. Have had one son, Clarence F., deceased, and two daughters, Charlotte M. and Caroline F.
Ann Frances "	1813		"	
Harriet Eliza "	1815	1815	"	
Ezekiel Burr "	1816	1817	"	
Henry Albert "	1818	1819	"	
Mary Jackson "	1820		"	Homer P. Hunt.
Lewis Tiffany "	1822		New York,	Mary Alice Morse, daughter of Nathan T. Morse; they have one dau. Kate.
Thomas Jackson "	1825	1826	Providence,	
Harriet Elizabeth "	1827		"	
Edwin Rea "	1830	1830	"	
Eugene Clement "	1832	1836	"	

The abovenamed Charles Hodges, the son of the second Isaac, and great-grandson of Major Joseph Hodges, born in Norton, Mass., Jan. 2d, 1787, married Julia Ann Burr, daughter of Ezekiel Burr of Providence. He left his native place when quite a young man, went to Providence, and was a clerk in the well known house of Benj. & Charles Dyer. He commenced business and kept a number of years on what was called "Old Cheap Side," and was one of the leading dry goods houses for a number of years. He is now (1853) in active business.

Chloe Hodges referred to in the table, with the children of the second Isaac Hodges, married Massa Bassett, and has resided in Providence. They have had four sons, Horatio, Isaac H., Alfred, (deceased,) and Charles H., and five daughters, Julia Ann, (deceased,) Adeline, (deceased,) Mary E., Charlotte A. (deceased) and Julia Ann (deceased.)

Horatio Bassett, son of the above, married Rebecca Gilbert of Providence, and they have had two sons, Horatio L. and Daniel, and one daughter, Rebecca G. His wife and son Daniel both deceased.

Isaac Hodges Bassett, brother of Horatio, married Amey Ann Drown, daughter of Caleb Drown of Providence. They have had four sons, viz., Frederick H. (deceased,) Isaac H. (deceased,) Edward D., and William D., and three daughters, Maria A., Adeline A. (deceased,) and Amey Ann, (deceased.)

Charles Henry Bassett, brother of Horatio and Isaac, married Mary E. Wardwell, daughter of Stephen S. Wardwell of Providence. They have had two sons, Charles H. and Stephen W., and two daughters, Mary W. and Charlotte A. Both of the daughters deceased.

C. Adeline Bassett, sister of the above Horatio, intermarried with Rev. John L. Gay; had one daughter, Mary A., and soon after deceased.

Mary E. Bassett, sister of the above C. Adeline, intermarried with the Rev. Charles Chamberlin, and have one son, Charles W., and two daughters, Mary E. and Amanda B.

Seth Hodges, son of Capt. Isaac Hodges, and grandson of Major Joseph, lived at the "Crooked Meadow," the place of his father. He was born July 1, 1770. He married Lucy Webber, daughter of Nathaniel Webber of Taunton. He was well known as *Capt. Seth Hodges*. He has held offices of honor and trust in Norton; was a member of the Convention for altering the Constitution of the State of Massachusetts, in 1820. He died March 3d, 1844, aged 74 years, leaving three sons, Seth, Hiram, and Simeon W., and six daughters, Lucy A., Rachel, Almira, Cornelia A., Mary Jane, and Emeline.

Seth Hodges, son of the abovenamed Seth, died Nov. 17, 1851, aged 54 years.

Hiram Hodges, brother of the last mentioned Seth, married Deborah Babbitt of Taunton. They have had two sons, John H. and Frank Hiram, and three daughters, Elizabeth J., Lucy Ann, and Sarah L.

Elizabeth J., daughter of the abovenamed Hiram, intermarried with Eli C. Wood of Boston.

Simeon W. Hodges, brother of Seth and Hiram, married Emeline Babbitt of Petersham, Mass. He died Sept. 18, 1849, in the 39th year of his age.

Lucy A. Hodges, daughter of the first Seth, intermarried with John Hunt of Norton.

Rachel Hodges, sister of Lucy A., died Jan. 30, 1848, aged 48 years.

Almira Hodges, sister of Lucy A. and Rachel, intermarried with William Newcomb of Taunton. They have had four sons,

John W. (deceased,) Henry C., William H. (deceased,) and George B. (deceased,) and one daughter, Cornelia A. (deceased.)

Cornelia A. Hodges, sister of Lucy A. and Rachel, intermarried with John Harvey of Norton, and they have had three daughters, Cornelia E., Ellen F., and ——— (not yet named, Jan., 1853.)

Emeline Hodges, sister of Cornelia A., intermarried with Francis A. Whitmarsh of Dighton, Mass., and they have one son, Ewing F.

Isaac Allen Hodges, son of Isaac Hodges and Fanny Allen, mentioned in a preceding table, married Mary Elizabeth Whitman, daughter of Christopher A. Whitman of Coventry, R. I. They have one son, Walter W., and one daughter, Mary E.

Fanny Maria Hodges, sister of Isaac A., above, intermarried with William E. Haskins, and they have had five sons, William H., Charles E., Edward R., Frederick T., and Robert W., and three daughters, Frances E., Mary W. (deceased,) and Charlotte U.

Chloe B., sister of the abovenamed Fanny, intermarried with Roswell R. Rickard of Providence, and they have had two sons, Alfred and William W., and one daughter, Anna Maria.

Mary Hodges, daughter of the first Isaac and grand-daughter of Major Joseph, intermarried with Samuel Godfrey of Norton, and they have had three daughters, viz., Betsey, Sally, and Hannah,—she died in 1787, aged 37.

Lucilda, sister of the last named Mary, intermarried with Nathaniel Williams of Taunton, and they have had four sons and five daughters, viz., John, Nathaniel, Simeon, Casander, Lucilda, Polly, Charlotte, Susannah, and Amelia.

Ranah, sister of the above Lucilda, intermarried with George Tisdale of Taunton; they afterwards removed to New York, and are deceased, leaving a son and daughter, George and Ranah.

Anna, sister of the above Ranah, intermarried with Isaac Makepeace of Norton, and they have had four sons and six daughters, viz., Isaac, George, Jesse, Charles, and Nancy, Fanny, Abby, Chloe, Celesta, and Susannah.

Rachel, sister of the above Anna, intermarried with Abel Carpenter of Rehoboth, and they have had three sons and four daughters, viz., Abel, George, Isaac H., Olive, Julianna, Rachel, and Mary Ann. The following named childred died of fever, several years since, and all in the space of twenty days: George, Isaac H., Rachel, and Mary Ann.

Bethia Hodges, daughter of Major Joseph, intermarried with George Godfrey of Taunton.

Charity, her sister, intermarried with Ephraim Winslow of Freetown, Mass.

Rachel intermarried with George Morey of ———.

William Hodges, son of the first Henry, settled in Taunton, in what has since been called the "Willis neighborhood." He left two sons, William and Seth.

William Hodges, son of the last named William, married Miss Sanders. They have had two sons and three daughters, viz., Thomas, John, Anna, Hannah, and Lydia.

Thomas Hodges married Sarah Coope. He lived in the "Willis neighborhood." They have had one son, Thomas, and six daughters.

Anna Hodges intermarried with Henry Hodges; Hannah with Daniel Cobb; Lydia with Samuel Willis.

Thomas Hodges, 2d, married Miss Reed, daughter of Isaiah Reed; they have had one son, William V.

Seth Hodges, son of the first William, above mentioned, died without issue.

John Hodges, son of the first Henry, was born in or about the year 1684. He settled at the "Crooked Meadow" in Norton, at the place where Capt. Rufus Hodges lived in 1835. He married Hannah Morton, and died about the year 1759, aged 75 years, leaving one son, Andrew; he had a daughter Elizabeth, who died in infancy. He received an injury in his limbs in his youth, which rendered him a cripple through life.

Andrew Hodges, son of John and grandson of the first Henry, was born in the year 1730. He married Mehitable Leonard, daughter of James Leonard of Taunton, and after her death, he married Abigail Hoskins of Taunton. He died in January, 1777, aged 47 years. He had four sons, John, Rufus, Andrew, and Leonard, (the latter by his last wife,) and four daughters, Hannah, Cybil, Mehitable, and Zilpha.

John Hodges, son of Andrew, died unmarried, at the age of 24 years, on the 28th July, 1776, in the city of New York, in the Revolutionary Army, to which he had gallantly repaired, in defence of his country, when invaded by a foreign foe; the only one of the name who died in service, it is believed, in that eventful struggle.

Rufus Hodges, son of Andrew, resided at the place where his father did before him. He was born March 1, 1759; he was not married; he was well known as *Captain Rufus Hodges;* he rendered his country some service in the Revolutionary War. He was a man very much esteemed by all who knew him. His decease has taken place since 1835.

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1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
William.	Henry.	John.	Andrew.	Leonard.

Children and Descendants of Leonard Hodges and Hannah Peck.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Rufus Hodges,	1799	1845	Cincinnati,	A lawyer by profession. See sketch which follows.
Leonard "	1801		Norton,	Chloe Lane. Children, Leonard M., Chloe A., Fanny J., Henry G., Anna E., Caroline B., Charlotte A.
Lewis "	1810	1837	Taunton,	Sally B. Round. Their child, Lewis B.
Earl "	1810		Norton,	Harriet Lane. Children, Rufus E. and Emma T.
Andrew T. "	1815		Peoria, Ill.	Sarah E. Grant. Children, Anna E. and Lewis G.
Royal P. "	1818		Norton,	Martha M. Leonard. One child, Julia B.
Hannah P. "	1803		"	Asa Arnold. Children, Hannah H., Fanny M. and Asa L. H.
Abby Ann "	1805		"	Joseph D. Sweet. Children, Lewis H., Abby A., Joseph D. and Andrew H.
Louisa C. "	1808		Attleborough,	Dennis Capron. Children, Harford A., Eliza T. and Everett S.
Lepha M. "	1813		Taunton,	Samuel Sever. Children, Samuel L., George, Lepha M., James E.
Lydia T. "	1820		"	Benjamin Caswell. One child, Mary L.

The abovenamed Leonard Hodges,[5] son of Andrew, was born on the 13th of March, 1774. He married Hannah Peck, daughter of Oliver Peck of Rehoboth, Mass. He lived at the "Crooked Meadow" in Norton, where his father lived before him. His death has taken place since 1835.

Rufus Hodges,[6] (vide table herewith,) son of the abovenamed Leonard, was a graduate of Brown University, Providence, R. I., in 1823; after which he removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he became distinguished as a lawyer. He was a man of talents, and was very much beloved by his friends and acquaintances. He was the author of the first "Record of the Families in New England of the name of Hodges." The writer of these pages knew him intimately, having been to school with him and *to him.* He died in Cincinnati, Jan. 8, 1844, aged 46 years.

Earl Hodges,[6] (vide table herewith,) married Harriet Lane, daughter of William Lane of Norton. He was the Representative for Norton in the Massachusetts Legislature, for the years 1844 and '45, and is now, 1853, Postmaster in the above town.

Leonard M. Hodges, son of the second Leonard Hodges, married Hannah L. Morey of Taunton. They have had one daughter, Anna M. (Wife and daughter both deceased.)

Chloe A. Hodges, sister of the last mentioned Leonard, intermarried with Henry O. Read of Fall River. They have had one son, Herbert H.

Mehitable, daughter of Andrew Hodges, intermarried with Ebenezer Hale of Taunton. They have had four sons, viz., Ebenezer, Leonard, Rufus, and Andrew H., and six daughters, viz., Sally, Cybil, Mehitable, Betsey, Lodica, and Almira.

Hannah, daughter of Andrew Hodges, intermarried with Job Tisdale of Taunton, and they have had five daughters, Hannah, Rhoda, Mehitable, Mahala, and Polly.

Cybil, daughter of Andrew Hodges, intermarried with Rufus Clapp, and they have had three sons, Ezekiel, Rufus, and Leonard, and one daughter, Cybil.

Zilpha, daughter of Andrew Hodges, intermarried with Luther Short of Taunton. They have had one son, Luther L., and one daughter, Zilpha.

Descendants of John Hodges.

John Hodges, the son of the first William, (1633,) lived a little west of Taunton Green, at the place where his descendant, William Hodges, now lives, 1853. (The abovenamed William is now about 80 years of age.) His descendants are much more numerous than was represented by Rufus Hodges, in his little book. There are undoubtedly many of his descendants living in Connecticut, and Vermont, in the vicinity of Rutland, which will not appear in this book.

A portion of the Taunton Records have been destroyed by fire; consequently I have not been able to obtain so much information as I could wish in regard to his descendants. I am very much indebted to Edgar Hodges Reed of Taunton, a descendant of Henry Hodges, and to H. B. Wheelwright, Principal of the Bristol Academy at Taunton, who married Abbie Hodges, daughter of William, a descendant of John Hodges, for information of the Hodges family in their neighborhood.

John Hodges, son of the first William, was married to Elizabeth Macy, 15th May, 1672. Their children were,

John,	son	of	John	Hodges,	born	April	5, 1673.
Nathaniel,	"	"	"	"	"	April	2, 1675.
Samuel,	"	"	"	"	"	May	20, 1678.
William,	"	"	"	"	"	June	6, 1682.
George,	"	"	"	"	"	Nov.	27, 1685.*

*The abovenamed George Hodges died in Norton, Aug. 10, 1713, aged 27.—*Norton Records.*

Ebenezer, son of John Hodges, born March 13, 1687.
Nathan, " " " " " Oct. 23, 1690.
Taunton Records.

William Hodges, son of the first John, lived at the place where his father did before him. He died June 23, 1766, in the 85th year of his age, and was buried in Taunton (See record copied from his tombstone.) He left four sons, George, Abijah, Job, and Elijah, and two daughters, Abigail and Mary. (See sketch of George Hodges, which follows.)

Abijah Hodges, son of William and grandson of the first John, was born in the year ——. He married Jerusha Leonard, daughter of James Leonard of Taunton. He lived at the place of his father. He had four sons and four daughters, viz., Abijah, Samuel, William, and James, Lydia, ——, Polly, and Jerusha.

Abijah Hodges, son of the first Abijah and grandson of the second William, married Wealthy Godfrey. He lived near his father in Taunton. They have had two sons and five daughters, viz., Joseph, Libbeus, Mary, Bethiah, Jerusha, Clarissa, and Lucretia.

Joseph Hodges, son of Abijah above. (See table which follows.)

Libbeus Hodges married Mehitable Goodell of Danvers, Mass. They have had three children, viz., Mary, Charlotte, and Jesse.

Mary Hodges intermarried with John Brown of Dighton, Mass., and afterwards removed to East Greenwich, R. I. She died a few years since, leaving six children, viz., John Edwin, (deceased,) Roland, George W., Mary, Martha, and Sarah.

Bethiah Hodges intermarried with Lewis Leonard of Foxborough, Mass.

Jerusha Hodges intermarried with Joseph Luther of Taunton. They have had six children, viz., William, Caroline, Martha, Mary, Sarah, (deceased,) and son, (deceased.)

Clarinda and Lucretia Hodges reside in Providence.

Jesse Hodges, the son of Libbeus, married Miss Rounds of Rehoboth. They have had one son and two daughters. (Names have not been received.)

Mary Hodges, daughter of Libbeus, intermarried with William Dean of Taunton. They have had nine children. (Names have not been received.)

Charlotte Hodges, daughter of Libbeus, intermarried with Lemuel Sergeant, of ———. They have had three children. (Names have not been received.)

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1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
William.	John.	William.	Abijah.	2d Abijah.	Joseph.

Children and Grand-Children of Joseph Hodges and Sarah S. Godfrey of Providence.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Patience G. Hodges,	1813	1839	Providence,	Nelson Anthony. They have had two sons, Charles and Frank, both deceased.
Sarah E. "	1815		"	Wm. W. Comstock. They have had six children, viz., Sarah E., Jesse, Ann E. (deceased), William A., Joseph H., and Abby H.
William G. "	1817	1845	"	Mary Bliss. They have had one daughter, Sarah S.
Charles C. "	1819	1821	"	
Abby C. "	1822	1848	"	
Anna M. "	1824	1829	"	
Joseph "	1827		"	
Children of Joseph Hodges and Eliza B. Olney.				
Candace J. Hodges,	1841		Providence,	
Charles L. "	1847		"	
George O. "	1849		"	

Joseph Hodges, son of the second Abijah and Wealthy Hodges, was born in Taunton, April 21, 1791. Went to Providence when a young man; was a number of years of the mercantile house of Carpenter & Hodges; was elected Cashier of the Arcade Bank, in 1835, and held the office until a few months previous to his death, which took place March 14, 1851.

Sarah S. Hodges, the first wife of Joseph, died Oct. 22, 1839, aged 51 years. His second marriage was with Eliza B. Olney, daughter of Joseph Olney of North Providence, and grand-daughter of Col. Stephen Olney, of the Revolution, companion in arms with La Fayette. (The cordial meeting of La Fayette and Col. Olney, on the State House steps in Providence, in 1824, will not soon be forgotten by those who witnessed it.)

James Hodges, son of the second Abijah—first marriage was with Joanna Tillinghast, daughter of Hon. Nicholas Tillinghast of Taunton. He lived and died in Taunton. Their children were James L. and Charlotte, who intermarried with Gov. Marcus Morton of Taunton. (See table which follows.) The second wife of James Hodges was Eleanor Cobb. Their children were David C., Eleanor, Sally, Francis.

Job Hodges, son of the second William and grandson of the first John, married Miss Reed. He lived in Mansfield, and had four sons, Job, William, Zephaniah, and Elisha.

Elijah Hodges, brother of Job, lived in Mansfield, and had three sons, viz., Elijah, John, and Zebulon. (See table for the descendants of John.)

Elijah Hodges, son of Elijah and grandson of the second William, was born April 5, 1751, and died in Norton, April 14, 1837. He married Sarah Morey, daughter of Samuel Morey of Norton. They have had two daughters, Polly and Sally.

Polly Hodges, daughter of Elijah, born August 1, 1781, married Philip B. King. They have had seven children, Elijah H., Samuel W., Charles, Carmi E., Abigail, Elizabeth, and Mary. Carmi E. is a merchant in Boston.

Sally Hodges, daughter of Elijah, married Hosea Kingman. They have had three sons, viz., Charles, Edward, and Henry. After the decease of Mr. Kingman, she married Francis Sturtevant. Their children are, Georgiana and Sarah.

Zebulon Hodges above named, (now deceased,) removed to Westmoreland, N. H. His children, Betsey, Sally, Amey, Mary, Phineas, and Martha.

Nathan Hodges, son of the first John, lived in Norton, at the place where John L. Munroe now (1853) resides. He had four sons, Nathan, Abiel, James, and Josiah.

Nathan Hodges, son of the last mentioned of the name, married Miss Morey, daughter of George Morey of Norton. He lived at the place where Simeon lived in 1835. He had six sons, viz., Nathan, Lemuel, Alanson, Lyman, Schuyler, and Lysander, and one daughter, Lucy.

James Hodges, son of the first Nathan. (See table which follows.)

Josiah Hodges, son of the first Nathan, married Wealthy Hodges, daughter of the first Jonathan. (See preceding table.) He lived a little west of his brother James. He died about the year 1829. They have had two sons, Josiah and Stephen, and two daughters, Wealthy and Linda. Josiah, born April 25, 1774; Stephen, April 13, 1781; Wealthy, Oct. 14, 1766; Linda, July 26, 1771.

Josiah Hodges, son of the last named Josiah, died July 30, 1841. He lived near the place of his father. He married Sally Winslow; they have had three daughters, viz., Eliza, Caroline, and Sally.

Eliza intermarried with Dwelly Goward of Easton, Mass. They have had seven children, viz., Henry, Josiah F., Edwin T., Lewis H., William H., Sarah E., and Ellen E.

Caroline, born Dec. 7, 1805, intermarried with Benj. S. Hall of Norton.

Sally, born July 15, 1816, intermarried with Charles Hayward of Easton, Mass. They have had two daughters, Sarah E., and Sally.

Stephen Hodges, son of the first named Josiah, born April 13, 1787, married Melantha Harvey, daughter of John Harvey. They have had four children, viz., Salmon, Lintha A., Wealthy, and Clarinda.

Salmon, born Dec. 11, 1809, married Mary T. Parris.

Lintha A., born Nov. 3, 1812, intermarried with Charles H. Briggs. They have had one son, Charles H.

Wealthy, born April 7, 1816, intermarried with Daniel Crane of Norton.

Clarinda intermarried with J. C. Root of Norton. They have had two daughters, Emma and ——.

3. John Hodges, son of the first John, lived in Norton. He had two sons, viz., Jonathan and Edmund.

Jonathan Hodges, son of the last named Jonathan, lived in Norton. He had three sons, viz., Jonathan, Nathaniel, and David.

David Hodges, son of the last named Jonathan, married Lydia Hodges, daughter of Timothy Hodges. They moved, a great many years ago, to Saratoga county, in New York, where Mrs. Lydia Hodges was living in 1851, being about 95 years of age. Their children were—

Lydia, . . .	b. March 3, 1784.
David, . . .	b. Nov. 7, 1786.
Timothy, . . .	b. Jan. 24, 1789.
Deborah, . . .	b. Nov. 23, 1794.
Sally, . . .	b. Jan. 15, 1798.
Betsey, . . .	b. March 14, 1800.

Norton Records.

Edmund Hodges, son of the second John and grandson of the first, had ten children, viz.:—

Hannah,	b. Jan. 22, 1737.	
Sarah,	b. June 29, 1740.	Died May 27, 1742.
Mariam,	b. May 23, 1742.	
Edmund,	b. Aug. 17, 1744.	
Deliverance,	b. Dec. 26, 1746.	
Elizabeth,	b. April 13, 1749.	
Sarah,	b. July 16, 1751.	
Tisdale,	b. Dec. 7, 1753.	
John,	b. May 5, 1756.	
Ebenezer,	b. March 11, 1759.	
Daniel,	b. June 9, 1763.	

Norton Records.

Edmund Hodges, father of the children aforementioned,

died June 3, 1777. His wife Mary died April 20th, 1800. —*Norton Records.*

Tisdale Hodges, son of Edmund Hodges, married Naomi Hodges, daughter of Capt. Joseph Hodges of Norton, who was killed in an Indian fight, near old Fort Schuyler, in the old French War. He had seven sons, two of whom were living in 1835, viz., Lemuel and Jeremiah.

Tisdale Hodges, son of the last named Tisdale, was educated at Brown University, and graduated in 1804. He died on board of one of our ships of war, of which he was surgeon, during the last war with Great Britain.

Daniel Hodges, son of the first Edmund, married Joanna Shepardson.

John Hodges, brother of the last named Daniel, married Abigail Wheaton, sister of the late Hon. Laban Wheaton of Norton. (See record which follows.)

Mariam Hodges, daughter of Edmund Hodges, intermarried with Gen. Silas Cobb of Norton.

Sarah Hodges, daughter of Edmund, intermarried with Dr. Adam Johnson of Norton.

A descendant of Edmund Hodges, Mrs. Nancy Smith, to whom I am indebted for information, gives the names of two more daughters of Edmund Hodges, viz.:—

Mercy Hodges intermarried with Noah Wiswall of Norton.

Mary Hodges intermarried with Samuel Godfrey of Norton.

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
William.	John.	2d John.	Edmund.	John.

Children and Grand-Children of John Hodges and Abigail Wheaton.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Betsey W. Hodges,	1783	1819	Mansfield,	Simeon Green. They have had four children—Anna H., James H., Amanda W., Deborah M.; all deceased but James H.
Nabby "	1786	1840	Norton.	
Fanny "	1789		Taunton,	Dr. Abijah Willard. They have had three children—Sam'l T., George W., Frances A. M. Second marriage with George Wheaton—they have had two children, Anna L. P., and Georgiana.
Nancy "	1791		Norton,	Noah Smith. They have had nine children—Henry W., Hiram, Harrison, Elizabeth G., Charles H., Francis C., Ann A., Albert A., and Stella A.
Lucinda "	1794	1848	Norton,	Doct. Benj. Scott of Peacham, Vt. They have had two children—John E. and Chauncey.

The abovenamed John Hodges died in Norton, April 26, 1802. He was the fifth descendant from the first William, as recorded above.

1633.
1. William. 2. John. 3. Nathan. 4. James.

Children and Descendants of James Hodges and Mary Briggs.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
James Hodges,	1767		Perished at sea.	Abigail Daggett. They had one son, Harland, deceased.
Polly "	1769	1849	Norton,	John L. Munroe. They have had one son, Henry L., who lives in Grafton, Mass.
Philena "	1771	infancy.	"	
Elisha "	1774	1852	"	Hannah Braman. They have had five children—Samuel, Harriet, Ellen D., Maria C., and Eliza J.
Laban "	1775	1800	"	
Galen "	1775	1828	Providence,	Demmy Andrews. They have had four children. See record which follows.
Anna "	1777		Norton,	Lemuel Arnold. They have had ten children—Lemuel, Laban, deceased, William E., Samuel, Charles, Edwin, Augustus, Nancy, Polly, Adeline.
Lucinda "	1782		"	
Adoniram "	1784		"	Bathsheba Richmond. They have had three sons—Laban, Adoniram C. and William.
Betsey "	1787	1834	"	Holmes Richmond. They have had four children—Holmes, Charles, Elizabeth, and Caroline.
Asa "	1795	1850	"	

Children of Galen Hodges and Demmy Andrews.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Galen Hodges,	1812		Matagorda, Tex.	Amelia McKinstry. They have had one daughter, Julia A.
James R. "	1814		Providence,	Harriet Walker. They have had three children—Raymond G., Mary E. and William B.
Julia G. "	1816		"	William Barstow, and have one child, Martha P.
Mary E. "	1819	1821	"	

James Hodges was the fourth descendant from the first William, as per the above; was born in 1737, and died in 1818, at

the age of 81 years. He lived in the south part of Norton, near what was known as the Raymond Factory. He married Mary Briggs, the daughter of Nehemiah Briggs. He was a man of some peculiar traits of character, strictly honest, and well meaning. His dress was that of a gentleman of the old school, and made after a fashion strictly original. It may not be well to relate anecdotes of him, but it will perhaps do to relate one of a neighbor of his, an old gentleman, who did not reside a great way from him, who was a cotemporary, and in some things resembled him. The old gentleman referred to, was quite eccentric, and wore a dress of *form antique.* In the leg of his pantaloons he had a *pocket*, where he always carried *one* pipe, and in his mouth as constantly another,—being very fond of the weed, and producing upon his farm a sufficient quantity for his own consumption. He having gone one day into the woods to procure a load of wood, when returning, his load was upset, and in the overturn it fell upon the old gentleman's *pipe leg*, which accident prostrated him to the ground so *fixedly*, that it took him some time to extricate himself. He finally cleared himself from the load which had been upon him—he sprang up, seizing his leg with both hands, and being in a state of agony both in body and mind, exclaimed, I—have—either—broke—my—leg—or—my—poipe—and—I *hope—it—aint—my—poipe!*

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
William.	John.	2d John.	Jonathan.	Nathaniel.

Children and Grand-Children of Nathaniel Hodges and Hannah Skinner.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Nath'l Hodges,	1778	1832	Boston,	Esther Fairbrother.
Jos. Warren "	1780	1830	Mansfield,	Margaret Rice. They have had four children, viz., Joseph, Margaret, Lydia, and Elizabeth.
Preston "	1785		New York,	Lydia Cole. They have had five children—Lewis L., Mary Ann, Preston H., William (dec'd), and Eliza A. See sketch following.
George "	1787	1844	Providence,	Sarah Hill. They have had three children—George J., Orville A., and Sophia.
Hannah "	1775	1837	Mansfield,	Zebediah Skinner—children, Hannah, Maria, and Salome.
Nancy "	1790		Brooklyn, Ct.	John Watson—children, Nancy, John, Deborah, Mary J., Augustus, Frederic, and Ferdinand.
Deborah "	1795		Mansfield,	Vespatian Cobb—children, Vespatian E., Deborah E., and Edwin A.

The abovenamed Nathaniel Hodges, descended from the first William of the fifth generation, as per record above, was born in Norton, May 21, 1750. Was married to Hannah Skinner, May 24, 1774. He died in Mansfield, in 1828; his wife Hannah died in the same town, Dec. 13, 1800.

Preston Hodges, son of Nathaniel, was born in Mansfield, in 1785; married Lydia Cole of Foster, R. I. Was a Sheriff in the county of Bristol, Mass., many years; moved to Providence, R. I., in 1821; kept the Franklin House in that city. Removed to New York, and opened the Clinton Hotel in 1832. He was a man well qualified, and knew how to keep a first-class hotel. Was successful in business, and retired from active life in 1846. His wife died in New York, in 1845. He now (1853) resides in New York. They have had five children, viz., Lewis L., Mary Ann, Eliza, Preston H., and William.

Lewis L. married Maria Ingraham, daughter of Ezra Ingraham of Attleborough. He kept the Franklin House in Providence, after his father's removal to New York. Removed from Providence in 1836, and opened the American Hotel in Buffalo, N. Y., where he now (1853) resides. He has held the office of Alderman of the city, since he resided in that place. His children are Edward L., Preston L., Mary, and Louisa.

Mary Ann, the eldest daughter of Preston, intermaried with Ward A. Work, and now (1853) resides in New York.

Eliza, the second daughter, intermarried with Capt. Caleb Harris of Providence, R. I.

Preston Henry, the second son of Preston, keeps the Carlton House in New York. He married Mary Sutton of New York. They have had two children, Lydia and Marie.

William, the third son of Preston, died in New York, in 1844, aged 23 years.

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
William.	John.	William.	Abijah.	William.

Children of William Hodges and Mary Chandler.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
William C. Hodges,	1805	1806	Taunton.	
Mary L. "	1807	1808	"	
Mary L. "	1809	1809	"	
Mary C. "	1811		"	Robert S. Dean, Manufacturer.
William C. "	1816		"	Farmer.
Abbie Stearns "	1828		"	H. B. Wheelwright, Principal of Bristol Acad., Taunton.

William Hodges, of the 5th generation from the first William, the only representative living, as far as my knowledge extends,* is now (1853) eighty years of age; he lives in Taunton, about a half mile west of the *Green*, on the Norton road. This place has probably been in the family ever since the settlement of Taunton. It is known that the estate has been owned by the family over 150 years. The first John lived on this estate. The "old house" has been removed, and the present one was built by the second William, and thought to be 120 years old, probably more.

The abovenamed William Hodges was born in 1772; married Mary Chandler, daughter of Joseph Chandler of Pomfret, Conn., *Feb.* 22, 1803. The day this is written is the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding day; they are both living.

George Hodges[3] *and his descendants.*

He was son of the second William, by his first wife. (Their children were George and Abigail. Abigail married Mr. —— King.) The maiden name of William's second wife was Clapp; their children were Job, Elijah, Abijah, and Mary.

The abovenamed George was born in Taunton, (upon the place where William Hodges[5] now lives,) in 1708; died in 1786, aged 78 years. He was undoubtedly a man of superior mind, and exercised a great influence in his day. He must have lived some time after his marriage in Norton; for, on examining the records of this town, we find the births of the children of "George Hodges and Susannah his wife," recorded, viz., George, b. Jan. 26, 1739; Silas, b. Feb. 11, 1741. Some time after this period, probably about 1754, he removed to Woodstock, Conn. Perhaps he lived in Norton a short time, and removed again to Taunton, previous to his removal to Woodstock. A member of the family of William,[5] remarked that he removed from their house to Woodstock. His children, whose names we do *not find* in the Norton or Taunton records, were Elkanah, Daniel, (born April 17, 1754—see record which follows,) Leonard, and Susannah. He was in the habit of visiting Taunton frequently, after his removal to Woodstock.

We learn from very good authority, that he brought a friend, Mr. Chandler of Woodstock, upon the occasion of one of his visits, whom he introduced to his sister Mary, and to whom she was married, previous to his return to Woodstock.

This marriage, which probably caused quite a sensation at the time, took place some time previous to 1766.

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* Since writing the above, I find there are three or four others living, of the 5th generation. See table of James Hodges.

Tradition says, Mary was a young lady of great personal beauty; and a friend gives me information that he visited a certain portion of the State of Vermont, during the last summer, and that her descendants there have inherited, to a considerable extent, the *beauty so characteristic in some branches of the family.* Some allowance should be made for the *poetic vision* of this gentleman, who was recently married to a young lady of the name.

Mary Hodges referred to, was twice married; her second husband was Peter Chandler, (her first husband bore the name of Chandler,) of Pomfret, Conn. She left a numerous family of children, one of whom by the second marriage, Susan, married Judge Chandler, a man of great worth and respectability, now living at an advanced age, in Peacham, Vt. Another daughter married Mr. ——— Edwards, of Keene, N. H. H. B. Wheelwright, Esq., Principal of the Bristol Academy in Taunton, who married Abbie Hodges, daughter of William,[5] and to whom I am indebted for information, writes me as follows:—"I have found to-day, *Capt.* William Hodges' will, (son of the first John,) dated 1766, in which he mentions his six children, and his grand-daughter Sarah, daughter of Mary."

Extract from the will. "I have heretofore given my *Son George*, a considerable sum of money to further his well settlement, and have further made provision for a further sum; therefore I shall give him no more, save what I shall hereafter mention in this will." The further mentioned bequests were, "One quarter part of *two cows* and his white riding *gelding*," and one quarter of the residue of any property, the whole of which was divided among the *four boys*,—but Abijah was to forfeit his fourth, unless "he maintained the abovenamed *Sarah suitably*, until she was 18 years of age."

The present worthy and skilful Superintendent of the Insane Asylum at Worcester, Doct. George Chandler, is a grandson of the abovenamed Mary Hodges.

The children of George Hodges,[4] were—

George, born in Norton, Mass., Jan. 26, 1739.

Silas—see table which follows.

Elkanah settled in Connecticut, and became an eminent physician.

Daniel—see table which follows.

Leonard removed to Vermont. Descendants in vicinity of Williston.

Susannah married John Richardson of Woodstock, Conn.

1633.
1. William. 2. John. 3. William. 4. George. 5. Daniel.

Children and Descendants of Daniel Hodges and Rachel Rich.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Cheney Hodges,	1784		Ohio,	Olive Tyler, of Warren, Mass—children, Cassandra, Ruth, Geo. H., Lucien, Rachel, Mary J., Augusta, and Olive.
Adolphus "	1786	1844	Warren, Ms.	Tryphenia Tyler—children, Daniel, Lewis, Maria, George, John, and William.
George "	1790	1834	"	Nancy D. Moore—they had one child, Hannah Henrietta, who married Walter Betts of N. York.
Susan "	1792		Brimfield,	Thomas Tyler of Warren—they have had seven children. Second marriage with Timothy Bliss of Brimfield. See rec. which follows.
Daniel "	1796	1851	Worcester,	Elizabeth Baker of Warren—children, Jane and Charlotte, now residing at Farmersville, Cattaraugus Co., N. Y.
Mary, "	1798		Southbridge,	B. O. Minott of Charleston, S. C.—children, Daniel, residence N. Orleans, and Francis, dec'd 1850.
Brutus "	1801	1832	Brookfield,	Maria Hamilton—one child, Sarah, b. August, 1825.
Solon "	1801	1822	Boston,	About commencing business in Boston at the time of his decease.
Seraph "	1804		"	Holmes Ammidown—children, Edward H., member of the Senior Class, Harvard University, 1852; Philip H., in business with his father; and Charles, in the English High School.

The abovenamed Daniel Hodges descended from the first William of the fifth generation, (as above.) He was a public spirited man, and held an important station in the community in which he moved. Besides holding various county offices he represented the town of Warren, Mass., in the State legislature, a number of years. He was also a Justice of the Peace. He was the fourth son of George Hodges and Susannah Cobb—was born April 17, 1754, was married to Rachael Rich on the 23d of June, 1781, and died in Warren, December 11, 1829, aged 75 years. His wife died in the same town, Jan. 3, 1844.

Children of Susan Hodges and Thomas Tyler, mentioned in the preceding table.

George W.,	b. Aug. 21, 1808;	died March 29, 1850.
Orville T.,	b. Aug. 28, 1810.	
Caroline,	b. Nov. 27, 1812;	died Sept. 2, 1813.
Mary C.,	b. Feb. 10, 1815.	
Alonzo R.,	b. Dec. 21, 1817.	
Albert G.,	b. May 23, 1820.	
Susan A.,	b. May 10, 1824;	died Oct. 28, 1826.

The second marriage of the abovenamed Susan was with Timothy Bliss, of Brimfield, Mass., where they now (1853) reside.

Daniel Hodges mentioned in the preceding table, born 1796, died in Worcester, Mass., 1851; was a representative from the town of Farmersville, for a number of years, in the New York Legislature.

George Hodges, born 1790, and who died in Warren in 1834, was a merchant in New York a number of years.

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
William.	John.	William.	George.	Silas.

Children and Grand-Children of Silas Hodges; 1st wife, ——; 2d wife, ——; 3d wife, Mary Gould.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Anna Hodges,	1770	1830	Fairfax, Vt.	John Richardson, a cousin by the father's side.
Mary "	1773	1852	Clarendon, Vt.	Randall Rice, (deceased)—children, Randall, Silas, and Mary; the two first named deceased. Mary married Ozias Horford of Boston.
Rachel "	1776		Brandon, "	First marriage with John L. Graham, and had one son, Capt. John H. Graham of the U. S. Navy. Second mar. with Roger Fuller—children, Rachel, (who mar. Chauncy Conant of Brandon), Eliza, (mar. A. Dana of Brandon), Emma, (mar. —— Gillett of Hebron, Conn.), Harry, and Augustus.
Henry "	1780	1840	Clarendon, "	Anna Fuller—children, Silas H., Mary Ann, Elizabeth A., George W., and Edward F. See sketch which follows.
Susan "	1783		Shrewsbury "	Calvin Robinson—children, Emma, Mary, Cynthia, and Susan. See sketch which follows.
Silas Wyllis "	1787		Clarendon, "	Polly Gillett—children, Leonard (dec'd), Almira, Hannibal, Cynthia (dec'd), ——, Mary, Henry L., and Ann Eliza. See sketch.
Geo. Tisdale "	1790		Rutland, "	Emily Bliss—children, Lorraine (deceased), Elizabeth, Caroline K., George, Mary B., Emily, James B., John H. H., and Miriam. See sketch which follows.
Hannibal "	1792	1851	Castleton, "	First marriage, Cynthia Finney—child, Sophia L. Second mar. with Eveline Atwell—children, John M., Eveline, Henry C., and George T. See sketch which follows.
Sophia "	1794	1853	Manchester "	Benj. Roberts, (deceased)—children, Calvin R., Leonard, Geo. T., Susan, Mary, Silas, Cornelia. See sketch which follows.

Silas Hodges[5] was born in Norton, Mass., February 11, 1741. He was the second son of George Hodges,[4] and removed with his father's family to Woodstock, Conn., about the year 1756, being then about fifteen years of age. He settled in Clarendon, Vermont, where he became an eminent physician, and

where he died in 1804. He was three times married. During the Revolutionary War he was in Gen. Washington's military family as surgeon or physician. His daughters Anna and Mary were the children of the first wife; by the second marriage, Rachel. The third marriage was with Mary Gould, and the children by this wife were Henry, Susan, Silas Wyllis, George Tisdale, Hannibal and Sophia. His children and descendants now number over eighty.

The eldest son was the Hon. Henry Hodges, who died in Clarendon in 1840. He was appointed Judge of the ——— Court, which position he held for ten years. He was a man of superior abilities, and occupied a prominent position among his fellow-citizens.

Hon. George Tisdale Hodges,[6] the third son of Silas, resides in Rutland.

The children of Hon. Henry Hodges, born in 1780, were—Silas H., Mary Ann, Elizabeth A., George W., Edward F.

Silas H. married Julia Fay, and they have had five children, viz., Henry S., who died in 1850, one year after he graduated at Williams College; Julia F., Kate, Lydia F., Charles. Silas H. Hodges has been Auditor of the State of Vermont, and has recently held the honorable and responsible office of Commissioner of Patents, Washington. He is a scholar and an able lawyer.

Mary Ann Hodges,[7] the eldest daughter of the Hon. Henry Hodges, married first, Hon. William Dana, Consul in Buenos Ayres, who died in 1831. Her second marriage was with Hon. S. Foote, now Senator in the United States Senate from the State of Vermont.

Elizabeth A. Hodges married Royal H. Waller, late Recorder of San Francisco. He belongs to the legal profession.

George W. Hodges,[7] the second son of Henry, is a merchant in New York. He married Ellen Burlingame, of Yorkshire, Eng. Their children—Clara, Mary Ellen, Caroline, Walter, Florence.

Edward F. Hodges,[7] the third son of Henry, is an able lawyer and resides in Boston. He married Anna F. Hammett, of Bangor, Maine. Their children—William H., Edward Francis, Harry.

The children of Susan Hodges,[6] the fourth daughter of Dr. Silas, who married Calvin Robinson, of Shrewsbury, Vt.

Emma,[7] married E. H. Johnson; died in 1839, in Woodstock, Vermont. Their children—George E., Mary J., and Henry.

Mary,[7] married G. H. Mower, of Boston. Their children—Ellen, Susan, Robinson.

Cynthia,[7] unmarried.

Susan,[7] married Hon. H. Mower, U. S. Judge, New Mexico, now of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Hannibal Hodges,[7] the second son of Silas Wyllis Hodges, married Mary Hall. They reside in Clarendon, Vermont.

Mary Hodges,[7] daughter of Silas W. Hodges, married David Penfield, of Rockford, Illinois.

Henry L. Hodges,[7] resides in La Grange, Georgia. He is a lawyer, is married and has children.

Elizabeth Hodges,[7] second daughter of Hon. George Tisdale Hodges, married W. H. B. Owen. They live in Rutland, Vt.

George Hodges,[7] son of George Tisdale Hodges, lives in Chicago, Illinois.

Mary Hodges,[7] daughter of George Tisdale Hodges, married C. P. Clark, M. D., of Oswego, New York.

James B. Hodges,[7] son of G. T. Hodges, lives in New York.

John H. H. Hodges,[7] is in College.

Sophia L. Hodges,[7] daughter of Hannibal Hodges, married Adam Freeman, of Albany, New York.

John M. Hodges,[7] son of Hannibal Hodges, lives in New York.

Eveline Hodges,[7] daughter of Hannibal Hodges, married Mr. Dudley, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Henry Clay Hodges,[7] son of Hannibal Hodges, is a Lieutenant in the United States Army.

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
William.	John.	William.	Abijah.	James.	Charlotte Hodges.

Children and Grand-Children of Marcus Morton and Charlotte Hodges.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Joanna Maria Morton,	1808		Boston,	Wm. T. Hawes—children, Marcus Morton, John (deceased), John, and Eliza- [beth R.
Charlotte "	1810	1814	Taunton,	
Lydia Mason "	1812		Rochester, N. Y.	Rev. Henry W. Lee—children, Henry Morton, Caroline Frost, and William.
Nathaniel "	1814	1814	Taunton,	
Charlotte "	1815		Nashville, Tenn.	Samuel Watson—children, Alice, Anne, Marcus Morton; the three deceased, Samuel, Wm. Parsons, and Mary.
Sarah Carey "	1817		Taunton,	Willard Lovering—child'n, Henry Morton and Charlotte.
Marcus, Jr. "	1819		Andover,	Abby B. Hoppin, daughter of Henry Hoppin of Providence—children, Amey, born 1844; Charlotte, b. 1845; Maria Hoppin, b. 1847, deceased 1848; and Mary Hoppin, b. 1849.
Nathaniel "	1821		Taunton,	Harriet Baylies, daughter of Hon. Francis Baylies, of Taunton.
James Hodges "	1824		Springfield,	Elizabeth H. Ashmun, dau. of Hon. Geo. Ashmun, of Springfield.
Susan Tillinghast "	1826		Taunton,	M. D. Kimball of Boston.
Frances Wood "	1828		Andover,	Geo. Henry French—children, Alice and Morton.
Emily Matilda "	1831		Taunton,	

Hon. Marcus Morton, LL.D., was married to Charlotte Hodges, daughter of James Hodges, of Taunton, in 1807. He has occupied a very prominent position in Massachusetts; was born in Freetown, Mass., in 1784, graduated at Brown University in 1804, commenced the practice of law in Taunton in 1807, was elected a member of Congress when a young man in or about the year 1817, was in Congress four years, occupied a seat on the Bench of the Supreme Court of the State fifteen years, has been thrice Governor of the Commonwealth—once in consequence of the death of Gov. Eustis, in 1825, the duties of the Chief Magistrate devolving upon him as Lieutenant Governor; again in 1840, and for the third time in 1843—he was appointed Collector of the Port of Boston in 1844, which post

he held four years, and this year, 1853, he has been elected a delegate from Taunton to the Convention to revise the Constitution of Massachusetts; his son Marcus, Jr., being also elected a delegate to the same Convention, from the town of Andover. Gov. Morton has had three sons, Marcus, Jr., Nathaniel and James, and one son-in-law, Mr. Hawes, who have graduated at Brown University; two of them certainly receiving the highest honors of the class. Two of the sons belong to the legal profession—Marcus, Jr., in Boston, and Nathaniel in Taunton.

1633.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
William.	John.	William.	Abijah.	James.	James L.

Children and Grand-Children of James L. Hodges and Harriet L. Fales.

Names.		When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom married, their Children, and Remarks.
Joanna Tillinghast Hodges,		1818	1840	Georgia,	John M. Giguilliat, of Glen Co., Geo.
William Gray	"	1820		Virginia,	Lydia E. Godfrey—children, Joanna F., Sarah G., Wm. A. and Caroline D.
Sarah Cook	"	1823		Providence, R. I.	Henry N. Manchester—1 child, Frances Wood.
Helen Francis	"	1825		Ellsworth, Me.	Henry A. Dutton—children, James H., Frederic C., and [Helen F.
James Arthur	"	1829		Milwaukie, Wis.	

The Hon. James Leonard Hodges was a descendant from the first William, of the sixth generation, as above. He was a man who occupied a prominent position among his fellow citizens, and was honored by being elected to numerous offices of honor and trust. He was a son of James Hodges, by his first marriage, being an own brother of Mrs. Gov. Morton; was born in the year 1790, and was married Dec. 25, 1817, to Harriet L. Fales, daughter of the late Hon. Samuel Fales, of Taunton; was appointed Postmaster of Taunton; was a member of the Convention for the revision of the Constitution of Massachusetts, in 1820; was a number of years Cashier of the old Taunton Bank; served two years as Senator in the State Senate, and was elected a Representative to the Congress of the United States, in 1827, where he served six years, having been twice re-elected. His services in Congress were very satisfactory to his constituents. He was a warm friend, a good neighbor and a kind-hearted man. He died in Taunton, March 8th, 1846, aged 56 years.

1633.
1. William. 2. John. 3. William. 4. Elijah. 5. John.

Children and Grand-Children of John Hodges and Mary Pratt, of Mansfield.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Mary P. Hodges,	1791		Waltham,	Hosea Whitman—children, Mary H., Abigail P., John H., Elizabeth B., and Catharine; (the last deceased in 1844.)
John "	1794	1819	Savannah, Ga.	
Elijah "	1796		Mansfield,	Abigail B. Knapp.
Guilford "	1800		"	Betsey Brownell of R. I. They have had ten children—see record which follows.

Children of Guilford Hodges and Betsey Brownell.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Guilford M. Hodges,	1823	1837	Mansfield,	
Valorous B. "	1825		"	Hannah L. Grover—children, Leolla and Frederic A.; (the last deceased in 1851.)
Marion M. "	1831		"	
Harrison G. "	1830		"	Sarah Fales—they have had one son, Frederic H.
Charles M. "	1835		"	
Eliza J. "	1819	1837	"	
Mary P. "	1821	1837	"	
Harriet A. "	1833		"	
Britannia H. A. "	1836	1839	"	

The abovenamed John Hodges was born in Marshfield, Feb. 27, 1765, and died in the same town, in September, 1845. He was a descendant of William, 1633, of the fifth generation, as marked above; was a farmer by profession. His son, Elijah,[6] represented the town of Mansfield in the Massachusetts Legislature, for the years 1843 and 1848, and has held the office of Justice of the Peace; he is a merchant by profession.

1633.
1. William. 2. John. 3. William. 4. Job. 5. William.

Children and Descendants of William Hodges and Sally Willard.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Sally Hodges,	1785		Mansfield,	
Polly "	1787	1830	"	
William "	1789		S. Walpole,	Alona Hodges—children, Harriet R. and Mercy.
Willard "	1792		Franklin,	Hannah Pond—children, Eliza Ann, Mary S., John, Seth, Almira, Ellen, William, Harriet, Charles, and Francis.
Milly "	1791		Taunton,	
Henry "	1795		Fall River,	Eliza Blake—children, Henry W., William, and Abby E.
Betsey "	1796		Walpole,	
Hezekiah "	1799		New York,	Jane G. Haskins.
Charles "	1801		"	Mary T. Farrington—children, Emily A., Sarah W., and Mary [F.
Job "	1804	1829	Walpole,	
Louisa "	1807		Lowell,	
Almira "	1810		Walpole,	

William Hodges was a descendant from the first William, being of the fifth generation as above. He was born in Mansfield, Mass., in 1757, and removed to Walpole, where he died in 1840, aged 83 years. His widow, Sally Hodges, died in Walpole, Sept. 13, 1841, aged 76 years. They have had twelve children, the largest number of any one family recorded in this book.

Willard Hodges,[6] son of William, removed from Walpole to Franklin, state of New York. It will be observed that he had ten children.

The account of the family of William Hodges and Sally Willard was obtained from the relatives of the family, and, therefore, should be correct. Still I find, on reference to my notes, copied from the *Norton Records*, that the births of the children of *William* Hodges, and wife *Sarah* Willard, bear a *close* similitude to the names of the first three children of *William* Hodges and *Sally* Willard here recorded.

Children of Elisha Hodges,[5] (son of Job[4]), and Hannah Daggett, of Mansfield:—Milton resides in Mansfield; Ebenezer; Elisha resides in Mansfield; Jesse resides in Mansfield; Nancy; Alona; Ruth; Mercy.

Children of Milton Hodges,[6] abovenamed:—Zephaniah, William, Charles, Mariah, Angeline, Lydia, and Mary.

Children of Jesse Hodges,[6] abovenamed:—James, Isaac, Frank.

Children of Elisha Hodges,[6] abovenamed:—Sarah, Mary, Edwin, Henry Loyd, Emma.

The following is copied from the Norton Records.

Children of John and Mary Hodges:—Ebenezer, b. Nov. 18, 1698; Elizabeth, b. Nov. 13, 1700; Eliphalet, b. Dec. 2, 1702; Anna, b. Feby. 4, 1704; Edmund, b. July 1, 1709; Mary, b. Nov. 29, 1711.

George, the son of John and Elizabeth Hodges, died Aug. 10, 1713, aged 27 years.

Children of Samuel and Experience Hodges:—Samuel, b. May 31, 1714. The abovenamed Experience Hodges died Aug. 24, 1716.

Children of Samuel Hodges and Mary Allen his second wife: —Marian, b. ——, 1717; Sarah, b. June 26, 1719; Martha, b. Dec. 22, 1720; Seth, b. March 10, 1723. The above Mary Hodges died Aug. 21, 1723.

Children of Benjamin and Abiah Hodges:—Abigail, b. June 7, 1720; Abiah, b. April 21, 1722; Anna, b. Oct. 13, 1723; Benjamin, b. May 9, 1726; Rachel, b. Aug. 30, 1730.

Children of John Hodges, Jr., and his wife Hannah:—Elizabeth, b. Nov. 24, 1724; Peter, b. Sept. 13, 1727.

Children of Nathan Hodges and Experience his wife:—Nathan, b. Sept. 7, 1729; Hannah, b. Dec. 16, 1730; Elizabeth, b. May 10, 1733; Ann, b. Dec. 5, 1734; James, b. April 22, 1737.

Children of William Hodges and his wife Sarah Willard:—Sally Hodges, b. Dec. 17, 1785; Polly, b. Nov. 7, 1787; William, b. June 28, 1789; Bradford, b. Sept. 12, 1792.

Child of Ebenezer and Ester Hodges:—Mary Hodges, b. July 12, 1734. The abovenamed Ebenezer died July 30, 1749.

Nathaniel Hodges, died March 3, 1750; Hannah, his wife, Jany. 3, 1768.

Children of Samuel and Ruth Hodges:—Simeon, b. June 4, 1740; Samuel, b. July 2, 1742; Ruth, b. Feby. 13, 1744. The first named Samuel died at Cape Britton, Sept. 20, 1745.

Children of Jonathan Hodges and Deborah his wife:—Jonathan, b. Jany. 24, 1746; Deborah, b. July 14, 1748; Nathaniel b. May 21, 1750; David, b. Feby. 15, 1752; Abigail, b. Jany. 6, 1755. Jonathan Hodges, father of the above children, died Jany. 11, 1770.

Children of Eliphalet Hodges and his wife Elizabeth Clapp: —Elizabeth, b. Feby. 21, 1736; John, b. Jany. 19, 1738; David, b. June 30, 1742; Eliphalet, b. May 16, 1746.

Children of Simeon Hodges and his wife Susannah Cobb:

—Samuel, b. Nov. 12, 1766; Simeon, b. Jany. 28, 1770; Susannah, b. Feby. 12, 1772; Sarah, b. May 11, 1774; Silas, b. June 2, 1776; Richard, b. June 17, 1778; Hannah, b. April 27, 1780; William, b. April 19, 1783.

1739, Nov. 26.—Joseph Hodges, Jr., and Naomi Pratt, both of Norton, were married by Eph. Leonard. Their children were:—Sarah, b. Oct. 8, 1740; Naomi, b. Aug. 11, 1747. The wife of the abovenamed Joseph died Aug. 29, 1748.

Children of Captain Joseph Hodges:—Miriam, b. Sept. 13, 1750; Joseph, b. Nov. 15, 1752; Naomi, b. Oct. 8, 1754. Captain Joseph Hodges died Sept. 19, 1756.

Copied from the "Neck of Land" Burying Ground, in Taunton, by E. H. Reed.

Here lies the body of Elder Henry Hodges, died Sept. 30, 1717, aged 65 years.

Copied from the Burying Ground near "the Green."

In memory of Captain William Hodges. He died June ye 23, A. D. 1766, in ye 85th year of his age.

Behold and see, as you pass by;
As you are now so once was I.
As I am so you must be:
Prepare for death and follow me.

In memory of Mrs. Joanna Hodges, wife of Mr. James Hodges. She died Oct. ye 5th, A. D. 1791, in ye 23d year of her age.

Housed in the dust my partner lies,
Secure from mortal strife,
Releas'd from all the cares and ties
Of this distracted life.

In memory of Samuel, son of Capt. Samuel Hodges and Mrs. Lucinda his wife, who died Oct. 27, 1787, aged 5 weeks and 5 days.

Copied from the West End Burying Ground, Taunton.

In memory of Lev^t^ Henry Hoges, who died Sept. ye 18, 1735, in the 70th year of his age.

Lydia, wife of William Hodges, who died July the 6th, 1772, in the 55th year of her age.

In memory of Hannah Hodges, wife of Mr. Seth Hodges, who died Dec. 9, 1801, in ye 70th year of her age.

In memory of Mr. Seth Hodges, who died May ye 11th, 1802, in ye 75th year of his age.

In memory of Capt. Zephaniah Hodges, who died August 10, 1793, in ye 50th year of his age.

In memory of Mr. James Hodges, who died Nov. ye 10, 1778, in ye 24th year of his age.

Betsey, daughter of Mr. Henry Hodges, and Anna his wife, who died Sept. ye 18th, 1791, in ye 7th year of her age.

From the Plymouth Records.

1649. Propounded to take up freedom William Hedges.

June, 1652. Admitted William Hedges.

1648. James Walker, of Taunton, informed against William Hedggis, for y^t the said Hedggis, knowing of one that hath traded shot into the Indians, and refusing to declare who it is, by summons sent unto him is required to appear at the next Genral Court. Accordingly he did and was cleared.

1652. William Hedges on grand inquest.

1652. William Hedges constable for Taunton.

Will of Henry Andrews, of Taunton, dated March 13, 1652: —daughter Mary Hedges, wife of William Hedges. Grandson John not come to man's estate.

Copied from Massachusetts Colonial Records.

19, 7, 1637. John Hogges, being fined 3 £, is remitted to 2 £. Vol. 1, page 199.

1640. John Hogges fined for *drunkenness.* Vol. 1, page 249.

The following records were found among the papers of John Godfrey, and his son, Gen. George Godfrey, of Taunton, received from Edgar H. Reed :—

May 9, 1744. George Godfrey, of Taunton, and Bethiah Hodges, of Norton, were lawfully married together in said Norton, by me, JOHN GODFREY, Justice Peace.

June 14, 1744. Seth Hodges and Hannah Hoare, both of Taunton, were lawfully m^d together in said T., by me,
JOHN GODFREY, Just. P.

Jan. 2, 1745. Mr. Paul Eddy and Elizabeth Hodges, both of T., were lawfully m^d together in s^d T., by me,
JOHN GODFREY, Just. P.

July 23, 1747. Mr. John Harvey, Jr., and Abigail Hodges, both of T., were lawfully m^d together in said T., by me,
JOHN GODFREY, Just. P.

Dec. 22, 1768. Spencer Hodges and Marcy Dean, both of T., were m^d in T., by GEO. GODFREY, Just. P.

Feb. 1, 1770. Mr. Rufus Dean and Lydia Hodges, both of T., were m^d by GEO. GODFREY, Just. Peace.

July 29, 1773. William Hodges, of T., and Rachel Hodges, of Norton, were m^d at Norton by GEO. GODFREY, Just. Peace.

July 4, 1775. Thomas Hodges and Sarah Cooper, both of T., were m^d at T., by GEO. GODFREY, Just. P.

Feb. 17, 1778. Henry Hodges, Jr., and Anna Hodges, both of T., were m^d at T., by GEO. GODFREY, Just Peace.

April 8, 1779. Abijah Hodges, Jr., and Welthea Godfrey, both of T., were m^d at T., by GEO. GODFREY, Just. Peace.

June 3, 1779. John Godfrey and Jerusha Hodges, 2d, both of T., were m^d at T., by GEO. GODFREY, Just Peace.

March 29, 1781. Nedebiah Lincoln and Sarah Hodges, daughter of Timothy Hodges, both of T., were m^d at T., by GEO. GODFREY, Just. P.

From papers of Brig. Geo. Godfrey, received from Edgar H. Reed.

Rufus Dean and Lydia Hodges, both of Taunton, out published Dec. 12, 1769.

Spencer Hodges and Mercy Dean, both of Taunton, out published Dec. 21, 1768.

David Hodges, of Norton, and Lydia Hodges, of Taunton, out published March 10, 1783.

William Hodges, of Taunton, and Rachel Hodges, of Norton, out published July 26, 1773.

Abijah Hodges, Jr., and Welthea Godfrey, both of Taunton, out published April 7, 1779.

Lev^t John Godfrey and Jerusha Hodges, 2d, both of Taunton, out published Feb. 1, 1799.

Henry Hodges, Jr., and Anna Hodges, both of Taunton, out published Feb. 5, 1778.

From records of Rev. Thomas Clap of Taunton.

1731. Then married Ephraim Hodges, of Norwich, and Bethia Danforth, of Taunton, together.

Feb. 1731–2. Then married Jeames Cook, of Kingston, and Abigail Hodges, of Taunton, together.

May 22, 1735. Then married Morgan Cobb and Ester Hodges together, both of Taunton.

Jan. 6, 1736. Then married George Williams and Sarah Hodges both together, both of Taunton.

Feb. 24, 1736. Then married Ephraim Tisdale and Sarah Hodges together, both of Taunton.

July 27, 1737. Then married George Hodges and Susan ——— (Susannah Cobb?) together, both of Taunton.

Copied from Norton Church Records.

Nov. 21, 1714. Joseph Hodges and Bethia his wife renewed their baptismal covenant.

Nov. 24th, 1714. Joseph, son of the above parents, baptized.

April 24, 1715. Joseph and Bethiah Hodges admitted to church.

Jan. 21, 1753. Joseph, son of Joseph Hodges, baptized.

Sept. 15, 1754. Received into communion Mariam, the wife of Joseph Hodges, dismissed from and recommended by the Second Church of Christ in Weymouth.

July 24, 1808. Received into full communion Susannah Hodges, wife of Capt. Joseph Hodges.

Abstract of the will of John Hodges, of Taunton.

Sons, John, Nathaniel, Samuel, William, Nathan, John and William, both of Norton, executors. Will dated 27th May, 1719. Witnesses, Samuel Danforth, Samuel Pollard and Ephraim Hodges. Will proved Oct. 1st, 1719. [*Copied from the Probate office books.*]

Copied from the Genealogical Register, 1851. *Page* 261.

Mary Hedge, Taunton. Her will disposes of the estate left her by her husband to her sons *John* and *Henry*. It mentions Henry Cobb and brother Henry Andrews. "I request Peter Pitts to perform these conditions, in case I make him my husband."

William Hedge, Taunton. Deceased April 2, 1654. Inventory taken by James Wyate, William Basher, Oliver Purchas. Amount £157 9.

Mary Andrews, of Taunton, states in her will her age to be 43 years. Her husband's name was Henry Andrews. Son-in-law William *Hedge*, and daughter Mary Hedge. Dated Feb. 14, 1653.

Extract of a letter from Rev. Richard Manning Hodges, of Cambridge, Mass., to Rufus Hodges, of Cincinnati.

CAMBRIDGE, FEB. 18, 1836.

The branches of your family are much more extended than mine. In a short journey that I took last summer, I found descendants from the ancestor who settled in Bristol County, in Maine, in New Hampshire, and in Vermont. They were

numerous, of various standings in life, but all respectable, and, in one instance, professional, that of a clergyman. I was not till then aware that the name was so numerous.

My own connections bearing the name are quite limited in number. They were all born in Salem, Mass., and all live there, with the exception of one family in Philadelphia, one family in Andover, and my own family in Cambridge, Mass. *Tradition*, as I have heard it, reports that there were *three* brothers of our name, who came from England and settled in Massachusetts, two of them in Salem, Essex County, and one in Norton or Taunton, Bristol County. The earliest *record* that I have, is from Cooke's Report, vol. 3, part 5, Report 15, where we learn that one William Hodges was a patron of the vestry in Weston, in the county of Gloucester, in the ninth year of Elizabeth. "At a Court holden in Salem, 27 1 mo., 1638, *William* Hodges served upon a jury." "At a Court holden in Salem, 29th 10 mo., 1643," *John* Hodges and *Mr. Richard* Hodges are mentioned in the proceedings. These are my most ancient records. Then comes *George Hodges*, my ancestor in a direct line, of whose parentage I have not been able to learn anything; but of his marriage and children, and their children, and so on, from generation to generation, down to the present time, I have authentic testimony in regard to facts and dates, and copious historical notices. I have appended a genealogical table, embracing such general information as may be interesting to you.

Gamaliel Hodges, the tenth child of John and Mary Hodges, is my father, and, as you will see, is the only one of that family now living.* I have two brothers and one sister living in Salem, all married and having children. There are children of George Hodges, Benjamin Hodges and Mary Boardman living in Salem and its vicinity. Jonathan Hodges, the son of Gamaliel Hodges, and cousin of my father, is living in Salem, and has children and grandchildren. Only two of the name of Hodges have been graduated at Harvard College, viz., Benjamin, son of Benjamin, and my cousin, in 1803, and myself, in 1815. Benjamin died in the year after he received his degree. Of myself, it may not be uninteresting to you to know that from 1821 to 1833 I was a Congregational minister in Bridgewater, Mass., and, for two years past, I have resided in Cambridge, Mass. I have a wife and two children.

RICHARD MANNING HODGES.

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* Gamaliel Hodges died in Salem, Dec. 25, 1850.

Extract of a letter from the Rev. Richard Manning Hodges, to A. D. Hodges, dated Cambridge, Dec. 10, 1852.

I have received no very particular information to communicate in regard to the family name since I communicated with Mr. Hodges, of Cincinnati, some years since. During my recent visit to Great Britain, I found the name very common on signs, in cities and places through which I passed. My mother, Sarah Williams, died the 10th Oct., 1850. She was born in Salem, March 3, 1767. My father, Gamaliel Hodges, died in Salem, Dec. 1850. He was born in Salem, Aug. 15, 1766. Since I wrote to Mr. Rufus Hodges, Jonathan Hodges, son of Gamaliel Hodges, cousin of my father, has deceased. I regret that I have no record of his death. There are four of the name of Hodges borne on the last catalogue of Harvard College, descendants from the Salem branch. There are also four of the name of Choate, viz., George C. S., Charles Francis, William G., and Joseph Hodges, descendants of my father, borne on the same catalogue. My son, Richard M. Hodges, has just returned from a professional tour in Europe, and will commence business as a physician in Boston. My uncle, Benjamin Hodges, was a man of large consideration. He possessed, in full measure, the confidence and respect of his fellow-citizens, and when he died the town felt that it had lost one of its best inhabitants. His son is the earliest name of Hodges borne on Harvard College catalogue. He has descendants by the name of Silsbee occupying places on the same catalogue. My father's sister, Mary Hodges, married Francis Boardman, of Salem. She has a son still living in Salem. My oldest brother Joseph married Elizabeth Ward Chipman, of Salem. My sister Margaret Manning married Dr. George Choate. My brother John married Miss Mary Osgood Deland, daughter of Thorndike Deland, Esq., of Salem.

Respectfully and truly your friend,

R. M. Hodges.

Descendants of John and Richard Hodges, of Salem, Mass.

As furnished by the Rev. Richard M. Hodges to the late Rufus Hodges, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

George married Mary Hutson, Sept. 16, 1663; she died Nov. 20, 1665, leaving one child. Adm. on his estate granted July 2, 1709. Inventory £20 13*s.* 8*d.*, besides real estate noticed at a Court, Nov. 9, 1670.	Married, Sept. 24, 1669,	Sarah, dau. of Joseph Phippen, a blockmaker. She was living in 1712. Her father's will was dated July 21, 1687, and proved at Boston, Sept. 18, 1687.

Sarah Phippen, wife of George Hodges, had three brothers, viz., Joseph, David, Samuel, and Mary.

Children of George and Sarah Hodges, mentioned in the preceding table.

Catharine, born Aug. 20, 1664; married Benjamin Deland.
Sarah, born the last week in March, 1670; mar. Stephen Archer, Oct. 14, 1697.
George, born 18 March, 1672.
Mary, born 10th 11 mo. 1673.
Joseph, born 21st 12 mo. 1675.
Hannah, born 6th 11 mo. 1677.
Dorcas, born April 7, 1680; mar. John Dedmun, April 26, 1714; had one son, William, born Sept. 23, 1716.
John, born 10th 12 mo. 1681; married Hannah Gill, March 15, 1705.
Gamaliel, born Sept. 8, 1685; married Sarah Williams, Jan. 27, 1710–11. His will, dated Aug. 22, 1765, was proved at Ipswich, Oct. 21, 1765. Was a town officer of Salem, 1721.

Sarah Williams, wife of Gamaliel Hodges, was the daughter of John Williams and Sarah Manning, and was born Aug. 18, 1689. She had three sisters and three brothers. I have historical and other notices of her family, and all its branches, from 1602, beginning with her grand parents.

Children of Gamaliel and Sarah Hodges, mentioned in the table last preceding.

Sarah, born Dec. 20, 1711; married David Ropes.
Mary, born Dec. 21, 1713; married Richard Derby, Feb. 3, 1734.
Joseph, born March, 8, 1715; married Elizabeth Stone, May 13, 1742.
Gamaliel, born 13 October, 1716; married Priscilla Webb, Oct. 9, 1740—had ten children. He died Aug. 27, 1768; his will was dated June 17, and proved Sept. 5, 1768.
Hannah, born Nov. 30, 1718; married Samuel Ives, Dec. 21, 1737—had a son and two daughters. Married Nathaniel Archer. Died July 15, 1804.
George, born Nov. 25, 1720.
Antiss, born July 8, 1722; lived single.
John, born Feb. 16, 1724; married Mary Manning, Jan. 5, 1748–9. He died July 20, 1799.
Ruth, born Dec. 8, 1725. Died Nov. 1727.
Ruth, born Oct. 24, 1728; married Edward Allen.

Children of John Hodges and Mary Manning, mentioned in the last preceding table.

Gamaliel, born Aug. 15, 1766.
John, born Nov. 29, 1749; lost at sea, Jan. 2, 1770.
Mary, born Jan. 5, 1752; died June 16, 1828. Married Francis Boardman.
Benjamin, born April 26, 1754; married Hannah King. Died April 13, 1806.
Sarah, born Sept. 6, 1755; died May 4, 1759.
Hannah, born Oct. 10, 1757; died May 28, 1758.
Joseph, born July 24, 1759; died Aug. 7, 1778.
Richard, born June 17, 1762; married Sarah Cheever. Died in Demerara.
George, born Aug. 14, 1763; died April 3, 1764.
George, born July 18, 1765; died July 28, 1827.
Jacob Manning, born Dec. 12, 1768; died Dec. 20, 1768.

Children of Mary Hodges and Francis Boardman.

Elizabeth, married Hon. Nathaniel Bowditch, LL.D.	Mary, married Hon. Benj. W. Crowninshield.	Francis, mar. Elizabeth Mead.	Sarah, married Zachariah Silsbee.
	Their children,	A daughter,	Their children,
	[redacted] Charles M[redacted]D. [redacted] Harriet. Francis B., Speaker of the House of Representatives for 1848 and 1849, mar. a daughter of Judge Sam'l Putnam. George Casper mar. a daughter of Hon. David Sears, of Boston. Anna Casper mar. J. Mason Warren, M. D., of Boston. Edward married Miss Welch.	Mary.	John B. mar. Martha Shepard. Sarah Ann mar. J. Willard Peele. Caroline married Wm. Dudley Pickman. Edward. George.

Children of Benjamin Hodges and Hannah King.

Mary married William Silsbee.	Hannah.	Elizabeth, (deceased.)
Their children,		
William, (Rev.) mar. Charlotte Lyman. Benjamin mar. Elizabeth White, daughter of Rev. Mr. White of Dedham. John Henry mar. Rebecca Dodge, daughter of Pickering Dodge, of Salem. Mary. Hannah. Harriet.		

1633.—*Salem.*
1.
John.

Children and Grand-Children of George Hodges and Elizabeth Welcome.

Names.	When Born.	When Died.	Where Died, or now Live.	To whom Married, their Children, and Remarks.
Elizabeth Lambert Hodges,	1815		Andover,	
Hannah Kittredge "	1820		"	Josiah Crosby of Billerica—children, Sarah, Josephine, Eliza Hodges, Geo. Hodges, Anna Hartwell, and Mary Manning.
George "	1822		Oxford,	Sarah E. Clark of Andover—children, Catharine C., b. 1847; Alice Welcome, b. 1849.
Samuel Lambert "	1824		Leicester,	Martha A. Sargent of Andover—children, Martha Sargent, Edward Lambert, and Charles Francis.
Lydia "	1826		Lawrence,	Joseph F. Clark of Andover—children, Frank Hodges, and Thomas Welcome.
Frank "	1828		Andover,	
Benj. Manning "	1831		"	Caroline Farnham.

The abovenamed George Hodges was born in Salem, in 1792, and married Elizabeth Welcome; he was a descendant of the first John, of Salem. Not much has been said of the *living* in this volume, but it will be safe to say that he is one of the "solid men of Massachusetts." He removed to Andover, Mass., in 1828; was elected to the State Legislature, a Representative from the town of Andover, in 1833, 1835, 1836, 1837; and was a member of the Senate from Essex County in 1846 and 1847. Mr. Hodges, and his son George, of Oxford, are largely engaged in the manufacture of woolens.

Children and Descendands of George Hodges and Hannah Phippen, (2d wife.) Died June 15, 1837.

Lydia, born Sept. 9, 1800. Married Samuel Holman, of Salem. Mr. Holman frequently represented the city of Salem in the General Court of Massachusetts. Their child, Eliza Hodges, born May 25, 1831.

Mary Phippen, daughter of George Hodges and Hannah Phippen, born Nov. 22, 1805. Married J. Vincent Browne, of Boston. Mr. Browne was a member of the General Court of

Massachusetts from Boston in the years 1836 and 1837; was Navy Agent at Boston from 1841 to 1845; and on the extension of the revenue laws over the new State of California, in 1851, was appointed principal appraiser to organize that branch of the Customs there.

Benjamin Manning died 1830.

The abovenamed George Hodges was appointed Surveyor of the Customs, for the district of Salem and Beverly, by Mr. Jefferson, which office he resigned in 1820.

Children and Descendants of George Hodges and Lydia Gale.

George Hodges, vide preceding table.

Hannah married Hon. Joseph Kittridge, M. D., of Andover. He died Sept. 6, 1847. Dr. Kittridge often represented the town of Andover, Essex County, in the General Court of Massachusetts, and he was frequently a member of the Council board. The children of Joseph and Hannah Kittridge were:—George, b. Nov. 20, 1820; Joseph, b. May 25, 1822, (married Henrietta Watson; their children, Anna, b. Dec. 23, 1848; Thomas, b. April 4, 1852,)—Mary Hodges, b. April 11, 1824; John Hodges, b. Sept. 12, 1826; Susan Osgood Hodges, b. Aug. 6, 1830, (married George C. Shattuck Choate, M. D., Physician of the State Lunatic Hospital at Taunton;—their child, Joseph Kittridge, born Aug, 1853;)—Sarah, born Sept. 8, 1832; Hannah Armstrong, born July 17, 1834.

In November, 1852, I wrote to a friend in Liverpool, Eng.,—S. M. Raymond, Esq.,—enclosing a letter addressed to —— Hodges, with a request that he, Mr. R., would present the same to some one of the name who had lived or was acquainted with some one of the family name in Taunton, England, present the letter to him or them with a request that they would send me some account of the family now residing in the town of Taunton. I have not been so fortunate as to receive the information desired. The following letter from Mr. Raymond will explain the course taken, also the interest which Mr. R. took in the matter:—

LIVERPOOL, FEB. 8, 1853.

Almon D. Hodges, Esq., Boston.

Dear Sir;—Being in London on the 5th instant, I consulted the Directory and selected such parties of the name of Hodges as seemed to me most likely to fulfil the object of your letter to me, with the appended letter to some gentleman of your family name. I called upon a merchant in Lombard Street, St.

George's Square; a broker in the Royal Exchange,—(not seen); a surgeon near Russell Square; a surgeon in Brompton Row; a short-hand writer in Chancery Lane,—(not seen); a barrister in Essex Court, Temple. All were from the west and south of England; some from Somersetshire and Devonshire, others from Kent. William Hodges, No. 1 Essex Court, in the Temple, barrister, author of a valuable and standard compilation of railway law, and much employed in railway litigation, comes from a small village, twenty miles from Taunton, or rather his family had existed in that village, he thinks, since the first settlement of New England, though he was born in Weymouth, a channelport in Dorsetshire. He says the family have a coat of arms, in which three crescents are conspicuous, indicating that they had made pilgrimages to the Holy Land. I delivered your letter into his hands, and said what I could to interest him in the matter. He will give it attention. He does not think he can write to you himself, but he will send your letter to his friends in the West of England, and you may expect to hear something definite in reply to your letter, from the barrister himself or from some of his kinsmen. I hope that I have effectually promoted your plan of inquiry, and that you will obtain some interesting details.

I am, very respectfully, yours,

S. M. Raymond.

[From the "Record of Rufus Hodges, of Cincinnati," published in 1837.]

Extract of a letter from Mr. Noah Woodward, of Sidney, Maine, to Mr. Hodges Reed, of Taunton, Mass.

Sidney, June 25, 1833.

Dear Sir;—Yours of the 7th inst. was this day received, and I feel happy to give any information in my power. The first knowledge I have is of two men by the name of Hodges, one *John*, the other *Henry*, that lived in Taunton. I cannot tell the year, but think it was A. D. 1744, as I was a small boy at the time. Major Joseph Hodges I knew two or three years. He was a man unusually respected. He was about six feet one inch in height. The name of the father of Major Hodges I think was *Henry*. Captain Joseph Hodges, son of Major Hodges, was a good citizen. I am now within a few months of ninety-six years of age, and my memory fails me very much.

Respectfully yours,

Noah Woodward.

Mr. Woodward probably remembered some other Henry Hodges, and not the *first Henry*.

ADDENDUM.

After this work had gone to press, I received the following information from Mrs. Annis H. Hodges, the widow of the Rev. Charles W. Hodges, of Bristol, Vt. :—

Rev. Charles W. Hodges, son of Stephen Hodges, was born in Leicester, Vt., in 1802; ordained Pastor of the Baptist Church in Chester, Warren County, N. Y., Oct. 22, 1824; died in Bristol, Vt., April 4, 1851, leaving two children, viz.:

Royal W. Hodges, born Oct. 30, 1824—residence, Bristol, Vt.
Cyrus A. Hodges, born Dec. 25, 1828— " Vergennes, Vt.

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